

er, of Frederick county, praying to be divorced from her husband, Daniel Cover;

Also, an unfavorable report upon the petition of Priscilla Mezick, of Worcester county, praying to be divorced from her husband, Minos D. Mezick;

And, an unfavorable report upon the petition of Henry Childs, and Jane H. Childs, his wife, of the District of Columbia, praying to be divorced,

Which were severally read the first, and by special order the second time, and severally concurred in.

Mr. Hemsley, chairman of the committee on education, delivered the following reports,

The committee on education, to whom was referred the order of the house directing "an inquiry into the expediency of establishing an asylum for the indigent deaf and dumb children of this State," have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report,

That although deeply impressed with the beneficent object of such an asylum, as is contemplated by the order, and the duty of the Legislature to educate and protect the unfortunate class of persons referred to; yet they deem it proper at this time, in view of the existing condition of the Treasury of the State, to practise the most rigid system of economy—and are therefore reluctantly compelled to report unfavorably on the order of the house, referred to their consideration.

All which is respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HEMSLEY,

Chairman.

By order,

Jos. C. Talbott, Clk.

The committee on education, to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of Battle Creek Academy, in Calvert county, asking a donation from the State, for the advancement of education in said academy, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report—

That, without deciding on the claims of the said academy to the favorable consideration of the Legislature, they deem it inexpedient at this time to grant the prayer for a special donation. The depressed condition of the Treasury, and the duty which it enforces of practising a strict economy in the public expenditures, have induced the com-