

On motion of Mr. Handy,

Ordered, That the house will hereafter meet at 9 o'clock A. M., and sit until 3 P. M., during the present session, for the despatch of public business.

Mr. Eccleston gave notice that on to-morrow he should move to rescind so much of the rule of the house as requires that the order of the day be taken up at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Matthias submitted the following resolution—

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That his excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to issue a commission, in the usual form, to John Baumgartner, as register of wills for Carroll county;

Which was read the first, and by special order, the second time, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Ely, from the select committee, made an unfavorable report upon the petition of the proprietors of the Warren Factory, and sundry other citizens of Baltimore county, praying the passage of an act authorising the opening of a road from the old York road to the Warren village, and for other purposes;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Coombs, from the select committee, delivered the following report—

The majority of the select committee to whom was referred the memorials and petitions of several hundred respectable citizens of several counties in this State, and Alexandria, District of Columbia, praying relief against the present manner of conducting fisheries on the Potomac river, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to report—

That the petitioners mostly reside in Prince George's, Montgomery, and Frederick counties, and the District of Columbia, and they assert that they are denied a fair and just enjoyment of the bounties of Providence, in consequence of the very great and unnecessary length of the seines which are used on the lower waters of the Potomac. That these seines are so long in some instances, that they reach from one side of the river to the beach of the other, and thus entirely cut off from the upper parts of the State the supply of fish which nature intended for them. The committee believe that the complaints set forth are well-founded. It is well known that for some years past the supply of shad and herring to the upper sections of the State has not been as large as it was formerly. The people are complaining of this deficiency, and the Legislature