On motion of Mr. Jeffers, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Mann be excused from attending to-day's session on account of sickness.

On motion of Mr. Scrimger, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Mencke be excused from attendance at to-day's session.

Mr. Linthicum submitted the following order:

Ordered, That James W. Owens be paid the sum of \$100, one-half on the part of the House of Delegates, and one-half on the part of the Senate, for clerical and professional services rendered the Joint Committee on Chesapeake Bay and Tributaries in preparing their general and local bills.

Which.

On motion.

Was laid on table.

LEAVES TO INTRODUCE BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, (by request),

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations, to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to protect citizens and owners of property in the city of Westminster, in Carroll county, from exorbitant charges for water, or the use thereof, supplied and furnished by the Westminster Water Company of Westminster, Maryland, a body corporate, by authorizing and requiring the Mayor and Common Council of Westminster, a body corporate, to fix and regulate all charges to be paid by the citizens or owners of property in the city of Westminster for water or the use of water to be supplied by said Westminster Water Company, and to regulate salaries to be paid by said company to its officers."

On motion of Mr. Siegmund,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Claims to introduce a bill entitled "An Act to refund to George J. D. Disney, of the city of Baltimore, the amount erroneously paidby him into the Treasury of the State of Maryland, for an Oyster Measurer's License for the season of 1895 and 1896."