

On motion by Mr. Kimmel,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill entitled an Act to amend the thirty-seventh Article of the Public General Laws by repealing the second section of said Article relating to the competency of witnesses and the examination of parties, as amended by the Act of 1864, chapter 109, and inserting in said Article in lieu of the section so repealed the following section relating to the competency of witnesses and the examination of parties :

On motion by Mr. Grove,

Leave of absence was granted to Assistant Postmaster Coon until Tuesday next.

Emory G. Mitchell, Thomas P. Townsend, W. H. Hiss and Philip M. Slicer appeared, qualified and took the oath of office.

On motion by Mr. Hammond,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill entitled an Act to repeal Article thirty-eight, section twenty-five, of the Code of General Public Laws, and to re-enact the same with amendmets.

On motion by Mr. Walsh,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Miller until Tuesday next.

On motion by Mr. Hammond,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill entitled an Act to repeal section 3, chapter 405 of the Code of Public General Laws, and re-enact the same with amendments.

Mr. Malone from the select committee, introduced a bill entitled an Act to make valid the official acts of the Justices of the Peace, Constables and Supervisors of the Public Roads in Wicomico,

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Malone from the select committee, introduced a bill entitled an Act to incorporate Newton Lodge, No. 56, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Salisbury, Wicomico County, Md.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Maddox asked leave to withdraw from the files of the Senate, the bill entitled an Act for the relief of Capt. R. Jones, of St. Mary's county, from any responsibility to the State of Maryland, for the preservation of arms.

The bill entitled an Act to amend Article 29, of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, adding thereto the following sections :

Was read the second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled an Act to incorporate Burns Lodge No. 87, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons,