Ordered, That Mr. Hammond, Senator from Talbot, have leave of absence until Tuesday next.

On motion by Mr. Walsh,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to introduce a bill to carry out the provisions of section 44, Article 3, of the Constitution, in reference to the exemption of a reasonable amount of the property of the debtor from execution.

On motion by Mr. Clarke, it was

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourn, it stands adjourned until Monday next, at 12 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. Compton,

The following message was sent to the House of Delegates:

BY THE SENATE,

February 21, 1868.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a joint committee, consisting of three members of the House and two members of the Senate, to take into consideration the message of the Executive, communicating the facts in connection with the recent action of the U. S. Senate upon the application for admission to that body by the Hon. P. F. Thomas, Senator elect from this State, and respectfully decline to concur therein, a similar communication having been received by the Senate from the Executive, and referred to the standing committee of this body upon Federal Relations.

By order,

A. GASSAWAY,

Secretary.

House bill entitled an Act authorizing the Commissioners appointed under the Act of 1840, chapter 215, and its several supplements, to invest certain money remaining in their hands,

Was read a third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. President, Browne, Clarke, Carroll, Earle, Lee, Maddox, Malone,

Parker, of Calvert, Parker, of Worcester,