

Mr. Bowlus presented a petition of William W. Cunningham, John H. T. Purdy and 19 others, for an Act of Incorporation of Good Samaritan Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars, of Middletown, Md.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Albaugh presented a petition for the relief of John Wilcoxon, of Frederick county.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Wentz presented the report of the Board of the Baltimore Female College.

Which was read, ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Bond, of Baltimore city, presented a petition praying certain amendments in the method of making election returns in the State of Maryland.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McElroy submitted the following order :

Ordered, That it be entered upon the Journal of this House that Mr. John N. Conway is absent from his seat by reason of sickness.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Vandiver submitted the following order :

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed in accordance with the Governor's Message to examine into the condition of the prisoners in the Penitentiary, and recommend for pardon such as in their judgment should be pardoned.

Which was adopted.

And Messrs. Vandiver, Biddison, Robb, Percy and Chapman, were constituted said committee.

Mr. Nicolai submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the Speaker appoint a Special Committee of five members to whom shall be referred the Message of the Governor, together with the accompanying Documents, for the purpose of distributing the several matters therein contained to appropriate committees.

Which was adopted, and Messrs. Nicolai, McElroy, Vandiver, Syester and Guy, constituted said committee.

Mr. Davis, of Carroll, submitted the following order :

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker of this House to visit the City of Baltimore, to examine into the affairs of the Tobacco Warehouses, and that said committee have power to send for persons and papers.

Which was adopted, and Messrs. Davis, of Carroll, Montague, Sanner, Williams and Coad, were constituted said committee.

Mr. Bowlus submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the Librarian be instructed to furnish the