

Sec. 3, line 9, after the word "of," insert the words "any Judge of."

Which was adopted.

Mr. Brown submitted the following amendment :

Section 8, line 4, strike out the word "sixty," and insert the word "ninety."

Which was adopted.

The bill as amended was then read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House then took up for consideration the next order of the day being

A bill entitled an Act to authorize and direct the Comptroller of the Treasury to purchase certain lots of ground herein described for the erection of a Mansion for the Governor of this State, and making appropriation for the payment of the same.

Which was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Syester,

Was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The House then took up for consideration the next order of the day, being the

Joint Resolution requesting the Governor to issue a commission to the Hon. Wm. T. Hamilton, as Senator elect,

Said resolution being upon a third reading.

Pending the consideration of which,

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication of the Hon. Isaac D. Jones, Attorney General of Maryland, in response to an order of the House :

To the Honorable,

The House of Delegates of Maryland :

In obedience to the order of the House of the 3d inst., that "the Attorney General of this State report to this House as soon as possible, his opinion respecting the validity of the election of Hon. William T. Hamilton as U. S. Senator, and whether the said election was or was not, in conflict with the Act of 1866, chapter 245, of the laws of the U. S., and Article second, of the Declaration of Rights, of the present Constitution of Maryland, or any law of the State of Maryland, and, whether, in his opinion, the Governor of this State is or not, bound under the Act of Congress and the Constitution of this State, to issue a certificate of election to the Hon. William