

Mr. Johnson presented the petition of Amos Jones, Robert Johnson and Marcellus A. Bramble, for compensation for vessels pressed into service.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Robb submitted the following order :

Ordered, That from and after the next night for which this Hall is engaged, the use thereof shall not be granted for the purpose of any public lecture or meeting whatever.

Which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Pentland,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Keech submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire what further legislation, if any, is, in its judgment, necessary to secure more effectually the property of married women, its increase and profits to their use, as seems to be contemplated by the 43d section of Article 3d of the Constitution.

Which was rejected.

Mr. Nelson submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the Postmaster be required to collect the mail matter in the House five minutes before closing the mail, which shall be at half-past two o'clock.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Guy submitted the following order :

Ordered, That a special committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to take into consideration all matters relating to the education of the deaf and dumb of the State of Maryland, and to report to this House what changes, if any, are desirable in the existing laws on this subject, and all bills or resolutions concerning the education of the deaf and dumb now before this House, or which may hereafter be introduced, shall be referred to this committee.

Which was adopted,

And Messrs. Guy, Pentland, Horsey, Albaugh and Touchstone, constituted said committee.

Mr. Nicolai gave notice that on to-morrow he would submit an order that Rule 29, of the House, be rescinded.

Mr. Williams moved that the vote by which the order instructing the Committee on Printing to contract with the