

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Judiciary to report a bill repealing section 2 of chapter 31 of Acts of Assembly of 1865, and enact the same with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Brattan,

Leave was granted to the Somerset delegation, and Mr. Gordy, to report a bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 434 of the Laws of Maryland of 1868, entitled "Donations to Wicomico County," for the use of Schools and Academies, and re-enact the same with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Dennis,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Dennis, Purnell and Brattan, to introduce a bill to make valid a bequest from David Smith to the New Town and Pitts Creek Presbyterian Churches, in Worcester county.

On motion of Mr. Gatch.

Leave was granted to the Baltimore county delegation to report a bill to change the metes and bounds of election precincts in the eleventh district of Baltimore county.

Mr. Colton, (the rules being suspended,) submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the use of the Hall of the House of Delegates be granted to Edward M. Gallaudet, President Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, to give an exhibition of a few of the students in said Institution, to occupy about forty minutes, to commence at 7½ o'clock this evening.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dennis, (the rules being suspended,) submitted the following order:

Ordered, That John R. Purnell be granted leave of absence for one week.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chapman submitted the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,
March 2, 1870.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose, with the consent of your Honorable Body, the appointment of a Joint Special Committee of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to consider the officers necessary for the transaction of the business of the two Houses of the General Assembly respectively, and to report by bill or otherwise, regulating their number, compensation, etc., etc. We have named, on the part of the House, Messrs. Chapman, Watkins and Colton.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD,
Chief Clerk.