

On motion by Mr. Stephenson, it was

Ordered, That the President appoint a committee of three to revise the Rules of the Senate.

The Chair appointed as said committee, Messers. Stephenson, Miller and Tuck.

On motion by Mr. Tuck, it was

Ordered, That the Adjutant General furnish to the Senate a statement of all sums paid on account of that Department, during the years 1870 and 1871; and the names of the persons to whom paid, and the Acts of Assembly by virtue of which such payments were made.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,
January 4th, 1872.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We respectfully propose with the concurrence of your Honorable Body that the Committee on Printing of each House, hereafter to be appointed, be made a Joint Committee on Printing of both Houses, with power to contract for the printing of the Journal of Proceedings of the Senate and House of Delegates, all Bills, Reports, Documents, and other matters to be printed by either House; also the Laws and Joint Resolutions passed at the present Session of the General Assembly. That said Committee invite proposals by public advertisements for a reasonable time for said printing, before contracting or agreeing for the same. That said contracts or agreement be given to the lowest responsible bidder.

That said Committee may, if more economical and advantageous to the public interests contract or agree for the printing of the Laws separately from the other printing, and may contract with different persons for the different kinds of printing.

That said Committee report the names and bids of all parties proposing for the whole, or any part of said printing.

No contract or agreement for the whole, or any part of said printing to take effect, and no printing to be done, under or by authority of the same, until both Houses shall have approved of such contracts or agreement.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD,

Chief Clerk.

Which was read.