On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Stewart, Foster, McColgan, Clark, T. H. Hamilton, and Markland, to introduce a bill to amend the Police Law of Baltimore City, so that the police, officers and men, shall receive their pay when sick, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Duvall,

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Judiciary, (hereafter to be appointed,) to introduce a bill, to extend the criminal jurisdiction of justices of peace.

On motion of Mr. Streett.

Leave was granted to the Harford County delegation, to introduce a bill to appoint one additional justice of the peace in the third election district of Harford County.

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following message:

By the Senate, January 5, 1872.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message proposing to open the returns of the election for Governor of Maryland, in the Hall of the House of Delegates, to-day, at 1 o'clock, in the presence of both Houses, in conformity with the requirements of the Constitution of the State, and concur therein.

By order,

Augustus Gassaway, Secretary.

Which was read.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Chapman, Smith and Spencer, a committee to wait upon the Senate and escort them to the House.

At 1 o'clock, P. M., the Senate of Maryland, escorted by Messrs. Chapman, Smith and Spencer, entered the Hall of the House of Delegates when the returns for the election of Governor were opened by the Speaker, as Chairman of the Joint Convention, in the presence of both Houses, and read by the Clerk. It was found that the Hon. William Pinkney Whyte had received 73,958 votes, and Hon. Jacob Tome 58,-830 votes, whereupon, the Speaker, as Chairman of the Joint Convention of the two Houses, declared that the Hon. William Pinkney Whyte, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Governor for the term as prescribed by the provisions of the Constitution, Article 2, Section 1.