

Mr. Watkins submitted the following order as an amendment:

Ordered, That the Rev. Mr. Southgate, of the Protestant Episcopal, and the Rev. Mr. Henderson, of the Presbyterian Churches, be requested to act as Chaplains to this House.

Pending the consideration whereof,

On motion of Mr. Koons, the whole subject was referred to the Committee on Organization.

Mr. Groome submitted the following order:

Ordered, That a Committee of five be appointed by the Speaker, to whom shall be referred the Message of the Governor, together with the accompanying documents, for the purpose of distributing the several matters therein contained to appropriate Committees.

Which was adopted, and Messrs. Groome, Watkins, Buchanan, Fenton and Koons constituted said Committee.

Mr. Wack submitted the following order:

Ordered, That Wm. Brace, Jr., be excused from attendance to-day on account of urgent business.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Freaner, the House proceeded to the consideration of the order passed on Friday last, appointing a Committee consisting of three members from Baltimore city, and fifteen from the counties, to recommend permanent subordinate officers for the House of Delegates.

Pending which, Mr. Freaner moved that the vote by which the said order was adopted be reconsidered.

Decided in the negative.

Mr. Seth submitted the following:

Leave to introduce a bill to repeal the Act passed at January session, chapter 364, entitled an Act to repeal the Act passed at January session, 1868, chapter 406, entitled an Act to repeal the Act passed the twenty-third of March, 1867, chapter 184, entitled an Act to repeal Article 71, of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, entitled "Oysters," and to repeal the Act passed at the January session, 1872, chapter 167, repealing and re-enacting sections seven and eight of said Article 71, of the said Code, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Which was read.