

On motion of Mr. Duer,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Agriculture to introduce a bill to repeal section 13, Article 98, of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Wild Fowl," and re-enact the same with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Colton,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Pensions to introduce a bill entitled an Act to authorize the Comptroller to audit and settle the claims for pension of Elizabeth E. Shanks and Margaret W. Cullemer, of St. Mary's county.

On motion of Mr. Johnson,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Claims to introduce a bill to indemnify Asbury McNamara, for loss and damage sustained by the Oyster Police steamer in the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine.

On motion of Mr. Pruitt,

Leave was granted to the Worcester delegation and Mr. Sudler, of Somerset, to introduce a bill to add a new Article to the Code of Public Local Laws for Worcester county, empowering a majority of the qualified voters to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within the limits of Somerset county, to be entitled "Sales of Spirituous Liquors."

On motion of Mr. Berry,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Ways and Means to report a bill to exempt from taxation the bequests of Otho Williams, late of Washington county, deceased, to the Presbyterian Church of Williamsport, Md., and the poor of that place.

On motion of Mr. Lamar,

Leave was granted to the Frederick county delegation to introduce a bill to repeal, amend and re enact sections second and third, chapter 303, of the Acts of 1872, as far as relates to Frederick county.

The Hon. Richard C. Hollyday, Secretary of State, delivered the following message from his Excellency the Governor, together with accompanying documents:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Annapolis, January 15th, 1874.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates of Maryland:

I herewith transmit to you the Report of the School Board of Education, of the State of Maryland, for 1873.

WM. PINKNEY WHYTE.

Which were severally read.