

On motion by Mr. McLane,

Leave was granted to Messrs. McLane, Steiner and Gorman to introduce a bill to provide for councils of arbitration between masters and workmen.

On motion by Mr. Steiner,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations (hereafter to be appointed) to introduce a bill, entitled an Act to provide for the further extension of the Charter of the Fredericktown Savings' Institution, supplementary to an Act, passed at January Session, 1858, chapter 162, entitled "a further supplement to an Act, entitled an Act to incorporate the Fredericktown Savings' Institution, passed at December Session, 1826, March 9, 1827, chapter 189," repealing the first section thereof, and re-enacting the same with amendments.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

January 3rd, 1878.

*Gentlemen of the Senate :*

We have received your message informing us of the organization of your Honorable Body.

The House of Delegates has organized by the election of Hon. Fetter S. Hoblitzell as Speaker, and Milton Y. Kidd, Esq., as Chief Clerk ; we are now ready to proceed with the business of the Session, and concur with your Honorable Body in the appointment of a Joint Committee to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly is prepared to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

We have appointed on the part of the House, Messrs. Brown, Tracy and Hinks.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD,

Chief Clerk.

Which was read.

Messrs. Bannon, Humphreys and Stump, from the Joint Committee to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses of the General Assembly were organized and ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make, reported that the Committee had performed that duty, and that they had been requested by his Excellency to inform the Senate that he would communicate a message to the two Houses in a few minutes.