Also, delivered.

A bill entitled an Act to require the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick county, to transcribe two equity dockets of the Circuit Court for said county.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Frederick

delegation.

Also,

A bill entitled an Act to protect fish and wild fowl in certain of the waters of Kent county.

Which was read a first time and referred to Messrs. Boyer,

Usilton and Ward.

Also,

A bill entitled an Act to permit the shooting of wild fowl from sink boxes in the waters of Talbot county.

Which was read a first time and referred to Messrs. Dodson, Fitzjarrell and Culbreth.

Mr. Stewart, submitted the following order:

By virtue of Section 2, of Article 5, of the Constitution of the State, either branch of the General Assembly has authority to require the Attorney General to give his opinion in writing on any legal matter depending before them, and as this body has before it the subject of the oppression of the people of Baltimore by the unconscionable monopolies, the Gas Companies, therefore,

Ordered, By the House of Delegates, That the Attorney General be, and he hereby is required to inform this House what legislation exists, if any, securing to the people of Baltimore the fair measuring of the gas supplied to them by the Gas Companies, and also, what additional legislation is ne-

cessary or proper to attain this object.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Clark, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Donaldson be excused from serving on the Committee appointed to inquire into the administration of the Gas Companies of Baltimore city, under the order offered by Mr. Hoblitzell, and adopted on February 1st, 1876.

On motion of Mr. Whitelock, it was

Ordered, That the Treasurer of Maryland report to this House the name of all banks in which the funds of the State are deposited, and the amount of paid up capital of each. The amount of money in each bank standing to the credit of the State on 31st January, 1876. A copy of all agreements which have been entered into, and the security received "for the safe keeping and forthcoming" of such deposits, in conformity with Article 6, Section 3, of the Constitution of this State.