

On motion of Mr. Given, it was

Ordered, That Messrs. Baldwin and Smith, of Baltimore county, be excused for non-attendance to-day, as they have business of importance which called them away.

On motion of Mr. Lambden, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Constable be excused from attendance in this House for a few days, on account of sickness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Briscoe, it was

Ordered, That Mr. McGlone have leave to absent himself from this House to-day, on account of important business.

Mr. Neal submitted the following order :

Ordered, That this House hereafter meet at 11 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 3 o'clock P. M., or take a recess at that hour, and that the roll be call immediately preceding said adjournment or recess, and the absence of any member, at said roll call, be noted, and if said absentee be unable, when required to furnish to this House a satisfactory reason for such absence, he shall be deemed guilty of neglect of duty, and shall, as a penalty therefor, forfeit his per diem for the day on which such neglect occurs.

Which was read.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the order.

Mr. Stewart demanded the previous question,

The question then being,

"Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then recurring upon the adoption of the order, it was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Rultedge,

Leave was granted to the Harford delegation to introduce a bill to authorize the Register of Wills of Harford county, to continue the index or key to the guardian accounts in his said office, and to make it the official duty of the said officer to continue the same hereafter.

On motion of Mr. Lancaster,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Lancaster, Hawkins and Bird to introduce a bill to allow the County Commissioners of Charles county, to pay to Richard Barnes the usual per diem and compensation for loss of time by sickness, while serving as one of the Judges of the Orphans' Court.

On motion of Mr. Bird,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Bird, Turner and Lancaster to introduce a bill authorizing the County Commissioners to