ating the Western Maryland Railroad Company, and conferring new powers on said Company and concur therein.—We herewith return said bill.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD, Chief Clerk.

On metion by Mr. Gorman,

The vote by which the enacting clause was heretofore stricken out of said bill was reconsidered, and

On motion by Mr. Gorman,

Said bill was referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Also, returned,

Senate bill entitled an Act to amend the Act approved March 30th, 1868, entitled an Act to incorporate the Gary Manutacturing Company of Maryland.

Endorsed: "Passed by yeas and nays."

Mr. Cooper presented the following:

Baltimore, Feby. 25th, 1876,

Messrs John H. Cooper and Lewis H. Steiner of the Senate, and H. H. Lamotte, O. P. Baldwin, jr., and Henry W. Rusk, of the House of Delegates.

Gentlemen:—Your letter on behalf of the General Assembly of Maryland informing me that I was duly elected on Friday, January 28th, 1876, "by a majority of the votes of both Houses a Police Commissioner of the City of Baltimore, for the term of six years from March, 1877," has been received.

In accepting the distinguished honor conferred by the Assembly, I must be allowed to express my grateful appreciation of the kind words employed by you, in conveying to me the official notice. When I enter on the administration of the very important duties of this office, it will be with the disposition, to make an honest effort to do everything, "to redound to the good order and well being of the City of Baltimore," and to do nothing that will take from me the assistance and support of the confidence so largely associated with my election.

I am gentlemen, with great respect, for you personally and those you represent,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES R. HERBERT.

Which was read,

Mr. Lawrence presented the report of the Trustees' of St.