

On motion of Mr. Wallis,

The same was referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Also the following:

STATE OF MARYLAND,

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,

*Frederick City, June 5, 1861.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

In response to your order of this date, requesting me to inform you "what action I have taken, if any, to protect the citizens of the State, their person and property," which request is prefaced by indefinite allegations that citizens of Maryland have been arrested without color of, and in opposition to the established law of the United States and of this State, and have been carried by force into a neighboring State by troops in arms, and acting entirely under military and in disregard to all civil authority, &c., &c., I have to say: that I have received no official information of the arrests spoken of in your order, nor has any complaint or demand for my interference been made to me by any person claiming to have been arrested in the manner alleged in your order.

As a matter of course, therefore, I have taken no action in the premises.

THOS. H. HICKS.

Which was read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Wootten presented the petition of sundry citizens of Prince George's county, asking a repeal of the law authorizing a sale of State tobacco warehouses;

Which was read and referred to the select committee.

On motion of Mr. Dennis, of Somerset,

Leave was granted to the Somerset delegation to report a bill to amend section 65 of Code of Public Local Laws of Somerset county relating to justices of the peace and constables.

On motion of Mr. Stanford,

Leave was granted to the Somerset delegation to report a bill giving the assent of the Legislature of this State to a be-