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

Also, a communication from a State's Rights meeting in Harrison county, Virginia, in reference to the proposed division of their State;

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

Mr. Kessler offered the following:

Ordered, That a committee of seven be appointed by the Speaker, on Engrossed Bills;

Which was adopted.

And Messrs. Briscoe, Warfield, Kessler, Welch, Worthington, Mills and McCoy, constituted said committee.

Mr. Dennis, presented the following:

The undersigned respectfully prays compensation, by the Legislature of the State, for delivering the Proclamation of the Governor, convening the Legislature in special session, to the Senator and members of the House of Delegates from Somerset county. And as in duty, he will ever pray, &c.

The State of Maryland,

April 17th, 1861.

To J. C. Bush,

Dr.

To delivering despatches from the Governor to members of House of Delegates and Senator of Som-

erset county..... Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Gordon, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, reported favorably on a bill, entitled, an Act to amend the IVth Article of the Code of Public Local Laws, by repealing the 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 170th, 171st, 172nd and 173rd sections thereof:

Which was read the second, and by special order the third time, and passed by ayes and nays, as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Keene, Messrs. Harrison Kilbourn, Sp'r., Holland, Thomas, Durant, Maxwell, Wallis, Miller, Morgan, Sangston, Jones, of P. G., Rasin, Morfit, Medders, Legg, Scott, Welch, Starkey, Wilson, of Har'd,