

COLORED POPULATION—

Order that the Governor be requested to open negotiations with the authorities at Washington, for the return of runaway slaves in military camps, &c., adopted, 169.

Leave granted Judiciary committee to report a bill requiring that all religious meetings of negroes shall be conducted under the guidance of a slaveholder of the immediate neighborhood, 273.

Bill from select committee amending the law in relation to the religious meetings of free negroes and slaves, referred to Judiciary committee, 292.

Leave granted special committee to report a bill to amend article 66 of the Code of Public General Laws, so as to prohibit the running away and resorting to of free negroes and slaves to military encampments, &c., 219; unfavorable report thereon, (See *Frederick County*.)

Senate bill to repeal section 9 of article 66 of the Code of Public General Laws, referred to select committee, 383.

COMMITTEES, STANDING—Order that the Speaker appoint standing committees on Ways and Means, on Judiciary, on Military Affairs, on Federal Relations and on Currency, to consist of seven members each, adopted, 5; on Federal Relations, appointed, 10; on Ways and Means and Claims, appointed, 11; on Judiciary, Currency and Military Affairs, appointed, 12; on Printing, appointed, 39.

COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY—Leave granted Judiciary committee to report a bill to authorize the, of the several counties of the State, to levy on the assessable property of said counties such amount as they may deem requisite to purchase arms for the defense of said counties, 19.

Select committee reported bill to add new sections to article 38 of the Code of Public General Laws relating to the rights and duties of, referred to committee on the Judiciary, 36; reported favorably and passed, 92; returned from Senate, passed, 306.