ple of the State since 1851, have made any contracts in pursuance of the directions contained in section 5, of article 7, of the constitution, or of the provisions of the act of 1852, chapter 113, and, if any, what contracts have been so made, and with whom, and upon what security, and at what periods they expired or expire, and what amount has been secured to the State thereby, and whether, under said contracts, the contractors have fully complied with the terms of these contracts.

We have appointed Messrs. Sothoron, Berry and Gaither on the part of the Senate, to join the gentlemen who may be appointed on the part of your honorable body. Al about A all ported a bill entitled, an ac rebrove additional revenue to pay

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dinary keepers and traders;

On motion of Mr. Merrick,

The rules were suspended to allow him to offer the following Mr. Brengle from the Committee on Ways and Mean : spszesm

-us vo becoming at lowered sex By the House of Delegates, February 18th, 1856, Which was read the fast time.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to examine and report to the Legislature whether the Commissioners of Lotteries, elected by the people of the State since 1851, have made any contracts, in pursuance of the directions contained in section 5, of article 7, of the constitution, &c., &c., and concur therein. an act to make valid a deed

We have appointed Messrs. Merrick, Valiant, Brengle, Goldsborough and Hall, on the part of this House, to join the gentle men on the part of the Senate. from the Llangellen Mining Comp

By Order,

Mr. S. José Trans. H. Kenry of José Paronably and Chief Clerk. The payment of one-half the arrease of cheef Clerk. The arrease of person due by this state to the late John M. Stone of

Mr. Stack, from a select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to change the name of a certain village in Caroline county, known by the name of "Snow Hill," to the name of "Preston." On motion of Mr. Daniel,

Mr. Daniel, from a select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to provide for the election of a Chaplain to the Maryland Penitentiary;

Also, a bill entitled, an act to provide for the erection of a new dormitory to the Maryland Penitentiary, and making suitable provisions for a chapel, and for insane persons confined in said Penitentiary.