

Roberts, Toadvine, Thomas, Stubbs, Miller, Bowie, Goldsborough, Parker, Timmons, Smith, of Worcester, Brengle, Davis, Carper, Grove, Hauer, Wolfe, Jarrett, Silver, Whitby, Stack, Partridge, Abbott, Valiant, Hugg, Askew, Harrington, Fiery, Witmer, Reichard, Corby, Harding, Tower, Kildow, Smith, of Carroll, Buffington, Stewart.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Abbott presented a petition from Robinson Wentz and others, for the passage of an act entitled an act to prevent obstruction in Union Dock, in the city of Baltimore.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore City Delegation.

Mr. Kennedy presented a memorial from the Patuxent Company and Laurel Machine Company for repayment of taxes overpaid.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Harrington presented a memorial from McDowell & Gable, in reference to their claim before the Legislature.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Partridge presented a petition from Messrs. Stockett, Merrick & Miller, asking for subscription by the State to a digest of the decisions of the Court of Appeals and the Court of Chancery.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication, which was read and referred to a Special Committee of five:

To the Honorable the General Assembly of Maryland:

The Commissioners appointed by your honorable body, under an act, No. 302, passed in 1852, to erect a Hospital for the Insane, beg leave to report that they have not made any progress in the work, since their last report, in 1853, owing to the want of means; they are, however, more deeply impressed than ever, with the belief, that an Institution of this character is greatly needed, and they are therefore, ready, and willing, to fulfill the original design of your honorable body, whenever means are provided for its execution.

R. S. STEWART, Chairman,
Of the Board of Commissioners.
Baltimore, January 1st, 1856.

Mr. Dorsey reported favorably on the petition of sundry citizens of Anne Arundel county, asking that increased compensation be