

The Speaker laid before the House the report of the justices of the Orphans' Court of Prince George's county, in relation to the school fund of that county;

Which was referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Magruder,

Leave was granted the committee on Judiciary, hereafter to be appointed, to introduce a bill to prevent slaves from gaining their freedom in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Kilgour,

Leave was granted the committee on Pensions, hereafter to be appointed, to introduce a bill to allow a pension to Susanna Sibert, widow of the late David Sibert, a private soldier in the revolutionary war, also of the war of 1812, and appropriating a sum of money for the payment thereof.

The Speaker presented the following report:

To the Honorable,

The Speaker of the House of Delegates:

The undersigned, respectfully reports that as clerk of the circuit court for Harford county, he paid into the Treasury of Maryland during the year 1856, the sum of - - - \$4904 66
In the year 1857, the sum of - - - 4944 63

A. L. JARRETT,

5th January, 1858.

Late Clerk of Harford county.

Which was referred to the committee of Ways and Means, hereafter to be appointed.

The Speaker laid before the House the report of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore city, under chapter 266 of 1853.

Which was referred to the committee of Ways and Means, hereafter to be appointed.

The Speaker laid before the House further documentary evidence in relation to the tie vote between Messrs. Nesbitt and Leggitt;

Which was referred to the committee on Elections, hereafter to be appointed.

The Speaker laid before the House, the following communication:

St. John College, Jan. 8th 1858.

To the Hon. the House of Delegates of Maryland.

Gentlemen:—It gives me great pleasure, in behalf of the Governors and Visitors, and Faculty of St. John's College, to extend to every member of your honorable body, a most cordial invitation to visit the grounds, buildings, library, philosophical and