Mr. Thomas presented a petition of thirty-three citizens of Petersville District, Frederick county, respectfully praying the passage of an act requiring all civil process sued out before a Justice of the Peace to be made returnable to any Justice of the Peace within the district where the defendant resides.

Which was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Grieves offered the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on Claims be and they are hereby directed to pay to George W. Murdock, assistant page and Charles A. Sullivan, assistant folder, the sum of two dollar and fifty cents per day from the date of their appointment.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dail from the committee on Claims, reported favorably on the following bills:

A bill entitled, an act appropriating a sum of money for the payment of the claims of J. Wesley White, James H. League, Richard Brashears, Richard Thompson and Thomas A. Mitchell.

A bill entitled, an act to refund to John H. Freeman and William Lockerman certain monyes erroneously paid into Treasury.

Which were severally read the first time; also

Reported unfavorably on the bill entitled, an act to allow R. R. Borman and Richard Grason, extra compensation for services rendered at the Circuit Court of Harford county.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Harrington, from the committee on Corporations, reported favorably on the Senate bill entitled an act to incorporate the stockholders of a female seminary in Chestertown; also,

Favorably on the bill entitled, an act to incorporate the West India and South American Steamship Company of Baltimore,

Which was read the first time; also,

Favorably on a Senate bill entitled, an act to incorporate and endow Cambridge Female Academy; also,

Favorably on a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Mechanics' Insurance Company of the city of Baltimore,

Which was read the first time.