more in order more fully to perform their duty of examining into its condition and exigencies.

By order

VAUGHAN SMITH, Chief Clerk.

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Thruston offered the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary be, and they are hereby instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending the act of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, chapter one hundred and fifty-four, entitled, an act to simplify and abridge the rules and forms of conveyances, as to revive, in effect, the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-one, chapter three hundred and four, entitled, an act relating to recording deeds, and to provide that every deed of real estate shall take effect from the time of recording. And the said committee are also hereby instructed to enquire into the expediency of a general healing act to authorize the recording of, and make valid all deeds of real estate affected by the said act of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, chapter one hundred and fifty-four, which may not have been recorded within six months from the date of their acknowledgment, saving the rights of creditors and incumbrances as provided by the said act of eighteen hundred and thirtyone, chapter three hundred and four.

And the said committee may report by bill or otherwise.

Which was adopted.

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following message:

By the Senate,

January 18th, 1858.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message, proposing a joint committee to visit and examine the Maryland State Lunatic Asylum, and concur therein.

We have appointed Messrs. Wilkins, Franklin and Bradley on the part of the Senate.

By order

C. HARWOOD,

Secretary.

Mr. Stirling, from the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled, an act authorising the redemption of stamps issued under act of assembly passed March 10th, eighteen hundred and forty-five, which have not been used and are rendered useless by the repeal of said act;