funds of the said companies have been greatly misapplied and shamefully wasted in the feeing of such agents, to the great and manifest injury of the good people of this commonwealth, therefore,—

Ordered, That the committee on Internal Improvement inquire of the president, and if necessary, other officers of said compa-

nies of this State:

1. The name of all such individuals as have been employed or authorised to be employed by the said companies, the amount of compensation paid to, allowed or claimed by such persons for services rendered during the past sessions of the General Assembly of this State, together with the services stipulated to be rendered by such persons during the past session.

2. Whether any of the said companies have employed or intend employing any individuals to attend the present General Assembly, and if so, their names, the services stipulated for, and

the amount of compensation offered or demanded.

3. What amount of free tickets have been authorised or issued by the president, directors or other officers of the Baltimore and

Ohio Rail Road Company.

4. Whether the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company have not paid out in the State of Maryland the money of other States at its par value, and afterwards refused to receive such monies for transportation of passengers, produce or minerals, except at a discount.

5. The names of all such persons as have been employed by the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company and the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, as legal counsel, the services rendered,

compensation charged by or allowed to such counsel.

6. The names of the officers and agents in the employment of said companies, with the annual salary, and other compensation of said officers and agents; together with a particular statement of the amount of extra pay, or additional compensation, which has at any time been paid or given, or contracted to be paid or given, to any officer or agent of either of said companies, and the services for which such extra pay or additional compensation has been given or paid, or contracted so to be; and that the said directors report before the 15th of February next.

On motion of Mr. Crookshanks,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Crookshanks, Simpers, Lackland and Janney, to bring in a bill for the relief of the heirs of John L. Beeks of Cecil county.

The clerk of the Senate delivered a communication from the

Washington and Baltimore Turnpike Road Company;

Read and referred to the committee on Internal Improvement. The report of the trustees of Prince Frederick Academy;

Read and referred to the committee on Education.

A bill entitled, an act to make valid a certain deed of mortgage therein mentioned;