On motion of Mr. Morsell,

Ordered, That it be noted upon the Journal that Messrs. Allnutt and Weems are detained from their seats by sickness.

Mr. Traverse submitted the following order:

Ordered, That from and after Monday next, the House of Delegates meet at 9 o'clock, A. M. and adjourn at 2 P. M., and convene again at $3\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock and sit till $5\frac{1}{2}$, for the despatch of public business;

Which was read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Murray,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Murray, Clarke, Dorsey, Hammond and Owens, to bring in a bill to allow William Sewell, collector of the third collection district of Anne Arundel county, further time to complete his collections.

On motion of Mr. Crain,

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means inquire into the expediency of taxing all inventories of estates, one half per cent. and that the said per centage be paid by the executors or administrators.

Mr. Graves submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Librarian be instructed to distribute among those members of the present Legislature who were not members of the last, a copy each of the compendium of the late census, and also, to distribute by lot thirty-three copies of the census proper.

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

On motion of Mr. Handy of Somerset,

Ordered, That this House for the remainder of the session shall set from 9 A. M. to 3 o'clock P. M. for the despatch of public business.

Mr. Handy of Somerset submitted the following message:

By the House of Delegates,
February 4th, 1843.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose, with the concurrence of your honorable body, to close the present session of the General Assembly by final adjournment, on Wednesday the 24th instant;

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Sutton,

Ordered, That the said message be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Handy of Somerset,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore furnish this House with a list of the debts by the State, shewing when each debt was created and for what object; what amount has been applied to the purposes for which they were created; and also shewing how much is due on certificates, how much on currency bonds, and how much on sterling bonds, and the rate of interest on each debt, and by what acts or resolutions they were respectively contracted.