By the Senate,

January 3d, 1840.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :

We have received your message of the 1st proposing the appointment of a joint committee on the library, and have appointed Messrs. Ricaud, Magruder and Maulsby, to act with the gentlemen appointed by your honorable body.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clerk.

Also, the resolution passed by the house on Friday last and sent to the senate, relating to the pay of the members and officers of the house of delegates;

Endorsed, "assented to."
On motion of Mr. Berry,

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the chair, to make an investigation into the propriety of changing the mode of heating the hall of this house, or remedying the escape of the noxious gas through the flues; of providing means for the escape of the same from the hall, and for other purposes, necessary to the comfort of the members;

Whereupon, the speaker appointed Messrs. Berry, Graves, Maccubbin, Owens, and Phelps, the said committee.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

The house adjourned until Monday morning 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 6th, 1840.

The house met. Present the same members as on Saturday. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

Robert W. Bowie, Esquire, a delegate returned for Prince

George's county, appeared, qualified and took his seat.

The bill entitled, a supplement to the several acts of assembly, passed for the benefit of insolvent debtors, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Winder moved that the house will permit him to have the journal of Saturday so corrected as that his name shall appear in the affirmative on the question of the passage of the bill for the benefit of insolvent debtors, which was accordingly ordered.

The Speaker laid before the house a communication from the clerk of St. Mary's county court, relating to moneys paid into the treasury;

Read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Also a communication from the same clerk in reference to the attendance of judges;

Read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts

of justice.

Mr. Winder presented the petition of John B. Taylor, of So-