whom that report was referred, to proceed to the city of Baltimore for the purpose of examining the condition of that institution,therefore,

Ordered, That said committee have leave to proceed to Baltimore to make such examination.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

Ordered, That the committee on ways and means be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of imposing a tax on the clerks and registers, and all other public officers in this State, who are paid by fees of office or commissions; and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Dorsey submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the State Librarian be, and he is hereby directed, to furnish the clerk and register of wills of Howard District in Anne Arundel county, with one copy each of Dorsey's Testamentary Laws of Maryland, from the copies now remaining in the Library;

Which was read; and On motion of Mr. Dorsey,

Said resolution was referred to the committee on the library.

Mr. E. A. Lynch reported a bill, entitled an act for the benefit of Thomas Gurley, late sheriff of Frederick county;

Which was read the first and by a special order the second time.

passed and sent to the Senate.

The bill from the Senate, entitled a supplement to the act, entitled an act for the relief of the crier, jurymen and bailiffs of Cecil countv. passed at December session 1839, ch. 69, and the amendment reported to them from the committee, was taken up for consideration.

The amendment having been read the second time, was assented to. The said bill was then read the second time, passed with the proposed amendment and returned to the senate.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

The house took up for consideration the report submitted by him as chairman of the committee on ways and means, on the 23d inst. On motion of Mr. Bowie,

Said report was made the order of the day for Thursday, the 4th

The order submitted by Mr. Le Grand, on the 23d instant, in relation to the printing of reports from the majority and minority of standing committees, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Le Grand,

Said order was made the order of the day for Friday, the 5th of

February.

The bill reported by Mr. Brent, from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, entitled an act to give jurisdiction to justices of the peace in cases of violation of the license law by hawkers and pedlars, and for other purposes, was taken up for consideration,