

administrator of the deceased sheriff or other officer, is entitled to charge, exact and receive one half of the poundage fees in the cases mentioned, and provided for in the said section, and it shall be the duty of the new sheriff or coroner, to collect, receive and pay over to such executor or administrator, the half of said poundage fees.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the executor or administrator of any sheriff, coroner, or elisor, who has died, or may hereafter die, during his term of service, and the deputies of such officer, acting under the directions of his executor or administrator, and such deputies as he may appoint, shall have power to complete the collection of all fees placed in his hands for collection, or due him in his own right as sheriff, coroner, or elisor, in the same manner as if said officer had not died.

Which were read the first and by a special order the second time and assented to.

The said bill was then read the second time, and passed with the proposed amendments.

Mr. Gaither reported a bill, entitled an act to diminish the expenses of government;

Which was read; and

On motion of Mr. Gaither,

Made the order of the day for Thursday the 25th instant, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Forman, from the select committee on the constitution, delivered the following report:

The select committee on the constitution to whom was referred a bill "entitled an act to provide for taking the vote of the people of this State, as to the expediency of calling a convention to reform the present, and frame a new constitution, and to amend the constitution so as to enable the Legislature to call such a convention, beg leave to report unfavorably thereon, and therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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

Mr. Graves offered as a substitute for said report, a bill entitled an act to provide for taking the vote of the people of this State, as to the expediency of calling a convention to reform the present, and frame a new constitution, and to amend the constitution so as to enable the Legislature to call such a convention;

Which was read;

On motion of Mr. Graves, said report and substitute, were made the order of the day for Tuesday, 23d inst., and the substitute ordered to be printed.

The Speaker laid before the house the following communication from the Treasurer of the Western Shore: