Which were severally read the first, and by a special order the

second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. McKaig, from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act relating to deeds of trust, mortgages and similar instruments of writing, reported the same without amendment.

Mr. McKaig, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act for the amendment of the law in civil cases,

reported the same without amendment;

Which were severally read the second time, by a special order,

passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Harrison from the select committee to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to authorise the clerk of Queen Anne's county court, to correct a sheriff's return, therein mentioned, reported the same without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

The said bill was then read the second time by a special order passed and returned to tae Senate.

Mr. Walker from the select committee, reported a bill entitled,

an act to regulate division fences in Baltimore county;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr Johnson chairman of the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled, an act imposing a tax on collateral inheritances, distributive shares and legacies, to aid in paying the debts of the State;

Which was read the first time, and

On motion of Mr. Johnson, Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Carey from the select committee, reported a bill entitled, an act to provide for the speedy and effectual collection of the arrearages of taxes imposed for the use of the State within the city of Baltimore, for the years 1841, 1842, and 1843;

Which was read the first time, and

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Yellott chairman of the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to preserve the breed of fish in the waters of the Chesapeake bay, and for other purposes, reported the same without amendment:

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Smith.

The House then took up for consideration the report and resolution submitted by Mr. Kilgour chairman of the committee on Claims, on the 14th instant, on the memorial of Thomas J. Mc-Kaig and William W. McKaig, praying compensation for professional services.

Mr. Smith offered as a substitute for said report and resolution the following.