

chamber this afternoon, at four o'clock, to sign and seal the engrossed bills, and concur therein.

By order,

George G. Brewer, Clk.

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

Mr. Freeman submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the committee on Engrossed Bills have leave to sit during the session of the House this morning;

Which was twice read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Graves,

The rules were suspended to enable him to call up a message submitted by him on the 2nd of January, in relation to resolution No. 8, of 1840.

The blanks in said message being filled with the names of Messrs. Graves and Raymond;

It was read a second time, assented to and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Johnson, of A. A., submitted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, In pursuance of resolution number eight, of eighteen hundred and forty, a joint committee of the Senate and House of Delegates consisting of three members, one from the Senate and two from the House of Delegates, are required to be appointed to execute said resolutions: and whereas, no time remains for said committee to perform the duties incumbent upon them during the present session of the Legislature: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That said committee may postpone so much of their duty as is necessary to be performed at the office of the Commissioner of Loans in the city of Baltimore, until after the termination of the present session of the Legislature, and they are hereby authorised and required to perform said duty during the recess of the Legislature, and make report thereof to the Governor, to be communicated by him to the Legislature at its next session.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the members of the committee the sum of four dollars for each and every day in which they shall be engaged in the discharge of their duty, and two dollars for every twenty miles they shall travel by the usual route in going to and returning from Baltimore.

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

Mr. Worthington, of Anne Arundel, submitted the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor be, and he is hereby authorised to allow to W. Heckrote his necessary expenses in arresting and prosecuting Charles T. Torrey, convicted in the Baltimore city court of abducting certain