

Leave was granted the committee on Corporations to report a bill to incorporate the Pocomoke Navigation company of Worcester county.

Mr. Jones presented the petition of G. Vickers and others, of Kent county, praying an increase of pay to the Judges of the Orphans' court of said county ;

Which was referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Stephenson presented the petition of W. Gallaway and others, of Harford county, praying the repeal of the Act relating to the Harford county Academy ;

Which was referred Messrs. Stephenson, Tome and Whitney.

Mr. Jones presented the answer and counter memorial of L. L. Waters to the memorial of S. A. Graham contesting his election as Senator ;

[See Document I.]

Which was read, referred to the committee on Elections and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Clarke,

It was entered upon the Journal that Mr. Jenkins is detained from his seat in the Senate by sickness.

Mr. McNeal presented the petition of S. T. Hopkins, Clerk of Circuit Court of Talbot county, praying an increase of fees;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Finance.

The President announced the death of Senator Hicks, with the following remarks :

*Senators* :—It becomes my painful duty to announce the death of one of Maryland's most distinguished citizens and truest patriots, whose name is inseparably associated with his country in the most critical period of its history, THOMAS HOLIDAY HICKS, Ex-Governor of Maryland, and its late Senator in the Congress of the United States, is no more ! He died at the National Capitol, this morning, at seven o'clock.

The gratitude due the man, who, more than any other, by his firmness and unfaltering fidelity to the Union, saved the State of his birth from the grasp of designing demagogues, and the anarchy and ruin which would have succeeded to their treasonable purposes, has not yet been measured or appreciated. Time alone can do justice to the important relations sustained by Governor Hicks to the early days of our National trial. In the minds of this generation his acts are fresh and glowing, as a part of the *res gestæ* in which we have all