

THURSDAY, December 19th, 1861, 4 P. M.

On motion of Mr. Sellman,

The Senate was called and the Doorkeeper sent to inform the absent Senators that their attendance was required in the Senate Chamber, who returned and reported that he had notified the absent Senators that their attendance was required.

On motion of Mr. Goldsborough, of Dorchester,

All further proceedings under the call were suspended.

On motion of Mr. Sellman,

Ordered, That it be entered upon the Journal that the Senator from Charles county, J. W. Jenkins, is detained from his seat on account of affliction in his family.

On motion of Mr. Eichelberger,

Leave was granted the committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill regulating the meetings of the Commissioners of Public Works, and authorizing them to employ counsel in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Eichelberger,

Leave was granted the committee on Finance to report a bill providing for the collection of fines imposed by justices of the peace.

On motion of Mr. Eichelberger,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that the Senator from Cecil county is absent in the discharge of public duties.

On motion of Mr. Eichelberger,

Leave was granted the committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill to authorize the courts of equity in this State to decree a sale by femes covert of their property in cases therein specified.

Mr. Goldsborough, of Dorchester, submitted the following message :

By the Senate,

December 19th, 1861.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :

We have received your message, proposing to close the present session of the Legislature on Friday, the 20th instant, at one o'clock, P.M., and concur therein.

By order,

C. HARWOOD,
Secretary.