

THURSDAY, January 9th, 1862.

Mr. Billingsley presented the petition of W. John Harrison and others ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Harrison presented the petition of W. J. Emory, praying compensation for the services of his father rendered in the war of the revolution.

Which was read and referred to the committee on Revolutionary Claims.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Ordered, That the committee on claims, pay to John M. Brewer, late Reading Clerk of the Senate, whatever mileage may be found to be due him, for attendance on the Legislature at Frederick city, in the discharge of his duties, after the 17th of September, 1861.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Leave was granted Messrs. Smith, Willis, and Billingsley, To report a bill to incorporate the Druid Hill Railroad Company.

On motion of Mr. Blackiston,

Leave was granted the committee on Finance, To report a bill entitled, An act to pay George Vickers for legal services rendered the State, in the case of the State against Albert Reed.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered a bill entitled, An act to amend the 37th article of the Code of Public General Laws, by repealing the 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 sections of said article, relating to the competency of witnesses, and inserting in said article in lieu of the sections so repealed the following sections, relating to the competency of witnesses and the examination of parties;

Which was read the first time and referred to the committee on Judicial Proceedings:

Also, delivered resolutions relating to the close of Governor Hicks' official connexion with the Legislature and people of the State;

Which were read the first time and referred to the committee on the Constitution.