

to close the present session of the Legislature on Friday, the 20th instant, at one o'clock.

By order,

T. SNOWDEN THOMAS,
Chief Clerk.

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

The Speaker presented a communication from Samuel Kramer, Chaplain of the Third Regiment Maryland Volunteers, respecting the condition of the families of the State volunteers;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on Militia.

On motion of Mr. Findlay,

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker, to inquire into the condition of our troops now in the field or in course of preparation for service ;

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Findlay, Stockdale, and Pearce, said committee.

Mr. Leckie offered the following :

Ordered, That the chairman of the committee on Claims, be and he is hereby authorized to issue his certificate to the Members and Officers of this Legislature, for the amount of mileage due them as indicated and set forth by the Journal of accounts of the regular session of the General Assembly of this State, since the adoption of the present Constitution ;

Mr. Magruder offered the following as an amendment :

Ordered, That the committee on Claims, report a bill regulating the mileage of the Members of the General Assembly, according to the ordinary usage and practice of the Legislature ;

Which was rejected.

The original order was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the State be requested to furnish to this House, at the earliest convenient moment a statement of the several payments made up to this date to the respective Internal Improvement Companies on the Eastern Shore, organized under the act of Assembly, passed at the January session 1860, chapter 303.

On motion of Mr. Dove,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal of this House that the absence of Mr. John Bowie, of Prince George's, from his seat, is occasioned by the illness of his son.