

of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a reasonable compensation for one year's rent of his warehouse.

Which was read.

Mr. Maxcy, chairman of the committee of ways and means, delivers the following report:

The committee of ways and means, to whom was referred the petition of Palmer Canfield, praying for the repayment of two thousand dollars, paid by him under the act authorising the drawing of lotteries for the benefit of Saint John's and Washington colleges, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report—That the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable, and ought not to be granted; and therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

Isaac Hines, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Perry delivers the following report:

The committee of grievances and courts of justice, to whom was referred the communication of Ebenezer H. Cummins, accompanied with a publication entitled, *The Maryland Justice*, report—That they have read the said communication, and examined the publication entitled, *The Maryland Justice*. From the limited time they have had to examine the work, they believe it would contribute to the convenience of the citizens of this state, by distributing copies thereof to each of the justices of the peace. The laws of Maryland are too voluminous for a justice of the peace to ascertain what are his duties or powers, without much labour and research. *The Maryland Justice*, in a concise view, presents the laws of Maryland relative to the qualification, duties and powers, of the justices of the peace in the state of Maryland, with the forms of all process which they are usually called upon to issue, either civil or criminal. They therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised, to contract with Ebenezer H. Cummins, for as many copies of *The Maryland Justice* as there are justices of the peace commissioned in this state. The said copies to contain a digest of all the laws relative to justices of the peace, that may be passed during the present session, to be printed on good paper, and bound in sheep, and cause the same to be distributed, with the laws, provided the cost thereof thereof shall not exceed the sum of ——— cents per copy.

By order,

Wm. H. Emory, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Speed, Ordered, That the committee of grievances and courts of justice be instructed to take under their consideration a work entitled, *The Justice's Practice*, written and compiled by Jno. H. B. Latrobe, Esq. and to report to this house, with the least possible delay, their views of the merits of said work, and of its claim to the patronage of the general assembly.

Mr. Tyson, chairman of the committee of grievances and courts of justice, delivers the following report: