On motion of Mr. Ridgely,

Ordered, that the treasurer of the Western Shore report forthwith to this house, copies of any additional award or awards to those already reported by him, which may have been made by the commissioners appointed under the act of 1835, chapter 184, entitled an act to provide indemnity to the sufferers by certain riots in the city of Baltimore.

On motion of Mr. Iglehart,

Ordered, that the committee on claims have leave to sit for the transaction of business during the hours of the sit-

ting of the house.

Mr. Buchanan obtained leave to bring in a bill to secure o mechanics and laborers a lien upon all property on which they may erect houses, mills, barns and other tenements, and also upon the houses, mills, barns or tenements so erected.

Ordered, that Messrs. Buchanan, Ely and Henderson re-

port the same:

On motion of Mr. Worthington,

Ordered, that the committee on education enquire into the expediency of establishing a general system of education in this State, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

Ordered, that a select committee, to consist of five members, be appointed to enquire into the expediency of relinquishing the State's dividends due to the State by the Nantecoke Bridge company, in aid of repairing said bridge, and report by bill or otherwise:

In pursuance whereof,

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Hicks, Eccleston, Crisfield, Donoho, and Townsend, of Worcester, to compose the committee.

Mr. Perry submitted the following order:

Ordered, that the committee on education take into consideration the propriety of appropriating the proceeds, or interest, of the surplus revenue awarded to this state by the General Government to the purpose of education;

Which was twice read.

Mr. Alexander moved to amend said order, by striking out the words "committee on education," and inserting in lieu thereof "committee on ways and means."

Mr. Worthington called for a division of the question,

which was put, on striking out, and

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred upon the adoption of the order: Resolved in the affirmative.