

A bill entitled, "An Act to continue in force the second section of Article 12 of the Public General Law, relating to Banks."

A bill entitled, "An Act for the transcribing of one of the record books in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Howard county."

The President laid before the Senate the following communication :

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Annapolis, Jan. 18, 1864.

HON. JOHN S. SELLMAN,

President of the Senate.

Sir :—In obedience to an order recently passed by your honorable body, I have the honour to present a full statement of amounts paid to special Judges from first day of April 1862, to the 15th, of December (inclusive.)

I am very respectfully your's,

R. FOWLER, Treasurer of Maryland.

Which was read and referred to the committee on Judicial Precedings.

Mr. Firey submitted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That a joint committee of three on the part of the Senate, and an equal number on the part of the House of Delegates, be, and they are hereby appointed to inquire into the expediency of procuring the services of an artist, to execute a portrait painting of Governor Hicks, equal in size and design, to those which now adorn the Senate Chamber of Maryland.

2nd. *Resolved*, That the same committee be authorised to inquire into the propriety of procuring the services of a sculptor to prepare a pure marble bust of life like size, to be placed upon a pedestal of similar material in the Hall of the Capital of Maryland, as a fit memorial of his sacrifices, and services, in saving the State from the awful consequences of disunion, and the Capital of the Union from the capture and possession of the rebel army, and indirectly the Union itself from the untold evils of dismemberment.

Resolved, That a committee of three, on the part of the Senate, and an equal number on the part of House of Delegates, be appointed to inquire into the propriety of purchasing on the part of the State, a portion of the battle field of Antietam, not exceeding twenty acres, for the purposes of a State and National Cemetery, in which the bodies of our he-