

to the prejudice of this House, and the infringement of its dignity.

On motion of Mr. Stockbridge,

The order was referred to a special committee of five, to be appointed by the Speaker.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Stockbridge, Trail, Hitchcock, Dent and Clarke, said committee.

Mr. Lee presented the following order:

Ordered, That a special committee of three be appointed to inquire into the non-delivery by the Post Office Department of Public Documents, sent by members of this House;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Lee, Ridgaway and Elliott, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Ridgaway,

Leave was granted the committee on Claims to introduce a bill to pay James W. Saulsbury, late sheriff of Caroline county, for services rendered the State;

Also, leave to introduce a bill to pay Thomas S. Saulsbury, late sheriff of Caroline county, for services rendered the State.

On motion of Mr. Claude,

Leave was granted the committee on Claims to introduce a bill to release William Bryan, and others, sureties of Francis A. Daley, late collector of taxes for third district of Anne Arundle county, for the year 1850, from interest accruing on taxes not paid within the time required by the laws of this State.

Mr. Barron presented the following joint resolutions:

WHEREAS, The loyal people of the State of Maryland did, at the last general election, informally call for a Constitutional Convention, to be convened at the earliest practicable day, by their servants, who represent their wishes in the Legislature now convened in accordance with law; and,

WHEREAS, The Legislature of 1862 failed to call a Constitutional Convention in accordance to the requirements of the Constitution, therefore, it becomes our duty to put this matter of a Convention before the people without delay, in accordance with the wish they expressed at the late election; and,

WHEREAS, This House, through its loyal members, have now before them a carefully prepared bill for the purpose of calling a Convention, to so alter or amend the Constitution of