to introduce a bill to make valid a deed from Henry Walker, guardian to Thomas Cox, of the State of Indiana, to Isaac Nichols, of Somerset county.

On motion of Mr. Boswell,

Leave was granted a special committee of five to introduce a bill to establish the rate of compensation of the criers of the the several courts of Baltimore city.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Boswell, Mules, Murray of Baltimore city, Barron and Chappell, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Young,

Leave was granted the committee on Claims, hereafter to be appointed, to introduce a bill to refund a sum of money to Benj. Fawcett, erroneously paid into the Treasury.

On motion of Mr. Pearce, of Baltimore county,

Leave was granted the committee on Ways and Means, hereafter to be appointed, to introduce a bill for the relief of the widows, wives and children of the soldiers now engaged in the defence of their country, or who have fallen therein.

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following message:

By the Senate, January 11, 1864.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We propose, with the concurrence of your Honorable Body to refer so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the call of a Convention to a joint committee of five.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate Messrs. Carroll and Eichelberger.

By order,

C. HARWOOD, Secretary.

Which was read.

Mr. McCoy presented the following message:

By the House of Delegates, January 11, 1864.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message informing us of the proposed reference of so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the calling of a Constitutional Convention to a joint committee of five and concur therein.