

Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

The Speaker laid before the House a memorial from Michael Somers, Robert J. Waller and Thomas B. Moore, of Somerset county, contesting the seats of Thomas E. Ballard, Daniel W. Jones and Joseph Brattan, as Judges of the Orphans' Court of said county;''

Which was read and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Tyson presented a memorial from Nicholas Brewer, Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit, asking a change in the time of holding court in Montgomery county;

Which was read and referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Speaker.

Mr. Hyland presented the application of James U. Dennis, for compensation for services rendered as Special Judge;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. McNeal presented the following order :

Ordered, That John W. Dean, Folder to the House of Delegates, have leave of absence for one week from Wednesday next, for the purpose of visiting his family;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hyland presented the following order :

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Mr. J. R. Handy is detained from his seat in this House by indisposition;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Tyson presented the following order :

Ordered, by the House of Delegates, That the Speaker be and is hereby authorized to appoint a stenographic clerk to the committee on Elections;

Which was adopted.

Mr. McCoy presented the following order :

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal of the House that Thos. Archer is detained from his seat in the House by sickness ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. McCoy presented the following order :

Ordered, That John Shaffer, gas lighter to the House of