

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Hoffman,

He was excused from serving as a member of the committee on Printing.

The Speaker announced the following Standing Committees of the House :

*Committee on Ways and Means.*—Messrs. William J. Jones, Charles E. Trail, Albert C. Greene, George B. Westcott, William Frazier, John S. Tyson, Jr., William H. Hoffman, Frederick K. Zeigler and John F. Dent.

*Committee on Federal Relations.*—Messrs. Charles E. Trail, William Frazier, David Rinehart, Albert C. Greene, William J. Jones, George B. Westcott and S. B. Hance.

*Committee on the Judiciary.*—Messrs. Henry Stockbridge, Thomas Hammond, John S. Tyson, Jr., Charles E. Trail, William J. Jones, Thomas Archer, Hopewell Hebb, Daniel Clarke, John F. Dent.

Mr. Greene presented a petition from sundry members of the bar of Allegany county, praying for the passage of an act, to change the time of holding the October term of the circuit court for said county ;

Which was read and referred to the Allegany county delegation.

Mr. Tyson presented a petition from Lewis Mayer, asking that the State shall subscribe to a work entitled, "A Digest of the Decisions construing the Statutes of Maryland, of which the Code of Public General Laws is composed, with specifications of the acts of Assembly," by Charles F. Mayer and Lewis Mayer, of the Baltimore bar ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Stockbridge presented a petition from John Moorehead, to be repaid certain moneys by him paid out for the State;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Clarke presented a petition from E. F. Rowles and others, citizens of Prince George's county, praying for the passage of a law changing the mode of examination of teachers in public schools in said county ;

Which was read and referred to the Prince George's county delegation.