

On motion of Mr. Frazier,

Leave was granted a select committee of five to bring in a bill, to repeal the 375th and 396th sections of article 4, of the Code of Public Local Laws, entitled, "City of Baltimore" relating to the inspection, weighing and measurement of grain, and to enact a substitute therefor.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Frazier, Douglass, Dent, Pierce, of Queen Anne's, and McNeal, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Gantz,

Leave was granted the Washington county delegation to introduce a bill entitled, An act to allow William H. Protzman, administrator of Joseph G. Protzman, late of Washington county, deceased, further time to complete his collections.

Mr. Claude presented the following joint resolution :

WHEREAS, the supplement to the Maryland Code, containing the acts of the General Assembly, passed at the extra sessions of 1861, and the regular session of 1862, divided into Public General and Public Local Laws, and arranged into articles and sections to correspond with the Code, by H. C. Mackall, of the Maryland bar, the whole carefully and accurately indexed by Edward Otis Henkley, of the Baltimore bar, is used and approved in the courts of this State, but cannot be received as a part of the Maryland Code, unless it is adopted by the General Assembly of Maryland ; therefore,

*Resolved, by the House of Delegates,* That a joint special committee, of not less than three on the part of the House, and not less than two on the part of the Senate, be and are hereby appointed to examine and compare the said Supplemental code with the acts of Assembly of 1861 and 1862, and report the same, by bill or otherwise, to the General Assembly of Maryland.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Clarke presented the following joint resolutions :

WHEREAS: The Secretary of the Treasury has recommended a tax of twenty cents per pound upon leaf tobacco, and whereas the propriety of such tax is now under the consideration of the appropriate committees of Congress—and it is highly important to the agricultural interests of the State to know whether such tax is to be imposed upon the leaf tobacco now in the hands of the producers, or upon the crop grown after the first day of January, 1864; and whereas such a tax upon the leaf tobacco now in the hands of the producers will amount to a confiscation of the same, and be highly injurious