Institutions of this State," with the amendments adopted by the Senate—and proposing a committee of conference on that subject. We have appointed Messrs. Purnell, Jones and Beckett, to meet the gentlemen named on the part of your house.

By order,

J. H. Nicholson, clk.

Mr. Hambleton from the committee on revolutionary claims, to which was referred the resolution in favor of Melinda Sherfield, of Allegany county, reported that the committee were of opinion it ought not to be assented to.

It was read the second and by special order the third time, dissent-

ed from and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion of Mr. Cottman,

The bill entitled, an act to make certain acts felony, was taken up for consideration,

It was being read the third time, as heretofore amended, when

On motion of Mr. Goldsborough,

The following amendments were read and assented to,

In the 4th line of the 1st section, before the word "person" insert "white," and after the word "person" insert "or free negro."

On motion of Mr. Cottman,

The following amendment was read and assented to:

In the 6th line of the 1st section, after the word "be" insert the words "deemed guilty of felony and be."

On motion of Mr. Cottman,

The following amendment which had been heretofore assented to, was reconsidered and dissented from:

In the 3d line of the 1st section, strike out the word "peck" and

insert "half bushel"

The bill was then read through passed and returned to the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following

messages:

By the House of Delegates,

March 28, 1838.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We herewith return you the resolution passed by this house on the in favor of the heirs of the late colonel John H. Stone, and respectfully ask that you will reconsider, and assent to the same, By order,

G. G. Brewer, elk.

By the House of Delegates,

March 27, 1838.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have amended the resolution in favor of the Abingdon academy, so as to meet your views, and herewith return the same, with