Ordered, that Messrs. Jones, Merrick, Pratt, Long, and McMahon, report the same.

Mr. Ridgely obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to regulate constables fees in Anne Arundel county.

Ordered, that Messrs. Ridgely, Hood, and Iglehart, report the same.

On motion of Mr. Wharton,

Ordered, that a committee of five be appointed by the chair, whose duty it shall be to visit the Maryland Hospital, to examine its condition and wants, and report to this house by bill or otherwise,

In pursuance whereof, the Speaker appointed Messrs. Hambleton, Weems, Heard, Matthews, and Townsend, to compose the committee.

On motion of Mr. Fowler,

Ordered, that the committee on the coloured population be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill, providing for the more effectual binding out the children of free people of colour in this State.

Mr. Larrimore submitted the following order,

By the House of Delegates,
January 23, 1836.

Ordered, that a select committee of five members be appointed to enquire into the propriety of procuring a sword, with appropriate ornaments, and presenting the same to John W. Holding, on behalf of the General Assembly of Maryland, as a testimonial of the admiration and gratitude of his native State, for his distinguished gallantry, and highly valuable services during the last war with Great Britain.

Which was twice read and adopted,

In pursuance whereof, the Speaker appointed Messrs. Larrimore, Ridgely, Heard, Hambleton and Carroll, of St. Mary's, to compose the committee.

Mr. Duckett, chairman of the committee on grievances and courts of justice, delivered the following reports,

The committee on grievances and courts of justice, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Anne Arundel county, praying for the election of Constables in said county by the people, and allowing them the sum of fifty dollars per annum, in lieu of their fees as at present regulated by law, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report, that they deem it inexpedient to grant