

Mr. Shriver presented a petition of Jacob Earhart, of Frederick county, praying the redress of grievances therein set forth,

Which was read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

And, Mr. Duvall presented a petition of Richard Blowers, of Frederick county, praying to be divorced from his wife, Ann Blowers,

Which was read and referred to the committee on Divorces.

Mr. Duckett asked the following leaves: viz.;

Leave to bring in a bill to allow to the Auditors of the County Courts, as Courts of Equity, the same per diem allowance for auditing and stating accounts in said courts, as by law is allowed to the Auditor of the High Court of Chancery, for stating accounts in said court,

Also, leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, a further additional supplement to the act, entitled, an act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers,

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

On motion of Mr. Richardson,

Ordered, that the Speaker of this House appoint a select committee of five, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the causes of the increase of Intemperance, Pauperism, and Crime, and to suggest the best remedies for the prevention thereof;

In pursuance whereof, the Speaker appointed Messrs. Richardson, Bruff, Fiery, McMahon, and Annan, to compose the committee.

On motion of Mr. Carroll, of Baltimore county,

Ordered, that the Committee on Claims be instructed to enquire into the propriety of compensating Solomon Hillen, Jun., for services rendered, as one of the committee of the Library, during the recess of the legislature.

Mr. Duckett, from the Select Committee, delivered the following report:

The Select Committee to whom was referred an order of this House, requiring an examination into the condition of the furniture of the Government House, beg leave to report, that they have carefully performed the duty required, and finding a considerable deficiency of furniture, recommend to the House, the adoption of the following resolution—