whilst other States, Massachusetts for instance, a smaller State than ours, has expended, in one year, $50,000 in the distribution of premiums alone, as a reward for improvements in her agricultural resources.

Your committee are not insensible to the great necessity which exists at the present time, when the treasury is in a state of almost bankruptcy, of enforcing the strictest economy, they therefore recommend the passage of the bill and resolution which accompanies this report.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the office of Geologist, be continued for two years with a salary of $1000; and that the office of Topographical Engineer be suspended for one year from the 1st of March 1841.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table, and be printed.

Mr. Gantt, chairman of the same committee, made an unfavorable report upon the petitions on the subject of abolishing the office of State Geologist, or dividing the State into two Geological districts, &c., and asked to be discharged from the further consideration thereof;

Which was read the first and by a special order the second time, and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Stull,

Ordered, That it be entered on the journal of the house, that Messrs. Claggett and Stull, dissent from the report of the majority of the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Tuck, chairman of the committee on grievances and courts of justice, delivered a report in relation to the attendance of judges;

Which was read and ordered to be printed.

Mr. William Lynch, from the committee on divorces, made an unfavorable report upon the petition of Michal Dempsey, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be divorced from his wife, Mary Dempsey;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, and concurred in.

Mr. Lecompte, from the committee on corporations, made an unfavorable report upon the bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Havre De Grace Bank;

Which was read the first and by a special order the second time;

Mr. Sutton, offered as a substitute for said report, a bill, entitled an act to incorporate the Havre De Grace Bank,

Which was read; and

On motion of Mr. Tuck,

Said report and substitute were laid on the table.

Mr. Holmes, reported a bill, entitled an act to repair injuries done on the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road;

Which was read the first time; and

On motion of Mr. Seidenstricker,

Recommitted.