

And, delivered a bill originated in and passed by the Senate, entitled, an act to incorporate the New York Mining Company;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Corporations.

Also, returned the bill entitled, an act for the relief of the next kin of Andrew Cleary, deceased;

Endorsed, "will pass," and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Also, the bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Frederick and Emmitsburg Turnpike road company;

Endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment,"

Which amendment was twice read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

And delivered the following message:

*By the Senate,*

*February 20th, 1845.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

The Senate has received your message returning "the memorial of John R. Brooke, and one hundred and nineteen citizens of Allegany, praying for a division of said county," in which you remark, that the memorial "not being a revenue question, and originating in your body, we respectfully ask you to pass your judgment on the same, and when sent to this House by the Senate, it shall receive its respectful consideration." The Senate is indisposed either to comment upon the unusual phraseology of the message, or to question the motives that prompted its passage; but will content itself with the remark, that it is, at all times ready to examine and act on all measures presented for its consideration, that come within the scope of its constitutional functions, and that, in this particular instance, its judgment was, that the House of Delegates by reason of the elements of its organization, was the more appropriate branch of the General Assembly to deliberate upon a petition originating amidst the people of Allegany county, who have so recently elected Delegates that are supposed theoretically, at least, to be best acquainted with their freshly formed opinions and wishes; and, therefore, should know best how far it would be wise or expedient to perfect any measure originating with a respectable portion of them.

By order,

Joseph H. Nicholson, Ck.

Which was read.

Mr. Tilden presented the memorial of sundry citizens of the first election district in Kent county, praying the passage of a law to prohibit the sale of ardent spirits in any county, election district, or ward of any city, where the majority of the voters in said county, district, or ward shall object thereto, and also to prohibit the sale of ardent spirits on the Lord's day;

Which was read and referred to the select committee already appointed on that subject.