

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Tarr, presented a memorial from the Trades Unions of Maryland, praying the extension of the Mechanic's Lien Law so as to apply to the State of Maryland at large,

Which was read and referred to a select committee of five.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. McCauley, Hynes, Markey, Silver and Williams said committee.

Mr. Lee presented a petition from the United Fire Department of Baltimore city, praying the passage of an Act to allow them to donate their funds to the Aged Men's Home.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore city delegation.

Mr. Lee presented the resolutions adopted by the Park Commissioners of Baltimore city, in opposition to the proposed change in the charter of the city passenger railway company.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore city delegates.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of Allegany,

Ordered, That the Board of Public Works be and they are hereby authorized and requested to investigate the condition of the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company, and also to institute such legal proceedings as may elicit a full discovery of all the operations of the company and enforce the payment of any balance in their hands, and also to procure a judicial construction of the Act of Assembly of 1841, chapter 168, and if necessary, to employ counsel.

On motion of Mr. Soper,

Ordered, That the Speaker of this House be requested to communicate to the Governor the fact that the election of Richard Grason as Judge of the Circuit Court of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, is contested before this House, and to request the Governor to communicate to this House the returns made to him of the said election.

On motion of Mr. Nairne,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Mr. Fooks, of Worcester, is absent from his seat on account of sickness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Willis,

Leave was granted a special committee of five to introduce a bill to appropriate a sum of money sufficient to procure a full length portrait of the late Governor Hicks, to be placed