pay not to exceed what has been usually allowed for similar work.

Which was read.

Mr. Watkins submitted the following order as a substitute:

That the Speaker designate one of the committee clerks to index the Journal, without additional compensation to his regular per diem.

Which was read.

And, on motion of Mr. Baldwin, of Anne Arundel, laid on the table.

Mr. Wilson, of Baltimore city, submitted the following order:

Ordered, That a special committee of five members of this House be appointed by the Speaker to draft suitable resolutions or otherwise give expression of the views of this House in regard to the funeral obsequies of the late George Peabody, deceased, whose remains are expected to arrive at South Danvers, Mass.,

Which was adopted

And Messrs. Wilson, of Baltimore city, Merrick, Marbury, Kilbourn and Hammond, constituted said committee.

Mr. Jordan submitted the following order:

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Airhart Winters is absent on account of not being able to make the train connection.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Merrick submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire and report what amendments, if any, are necessary to make in the Article 45 of the Code of Public Laws, entitled Husband and Wife.

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced the following Standing Committees of the House:

Committee on Elections.—Messrs. Loker, Carroll, Morse, Wilmer, Hardcastle, of Caroline, Beck, Murdock.

Committee on Ways and Means.—Messrs. Merrick, McLane, Kilbourn, Hardcastle, of Talbot, Watkins, McCreery, Blake, Brown, Kean.

Committee on Claims.—Messrs. Colton, Seibert, Webb, Wells, Collins, Baldwin, of Harford, Gordy.