

of said academies and the amount of donation from the State to each of them separately.

On motion of Mr. Ristean,

Ordered, that the treasurer report to this house at as early a day as possible the number of banks in this State, where they are located and the amount of State's stock in each or any of them, and also the amount of capital of each of said banks.

On motion of Mr. Orrick,

Ordered, that the committee on grievances and courts of justice, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of curtailing the number of Magistrates in each county in the State, with such general reformation in this branch of the judiciary, as in their opinion may be to the interest of the State, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Ordered, that the committee on grievances and courts of justice be instructed to enquire into the expediency of fixing by law the period of life at which a ward may chose his or her guardian, and to report to this house by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Simmons,

Ordered, that the special committee on public buildings, enquire into the expediency of causing one or more chandaliers to be provided for the use of this house.

On motion of Mr. McDaniel,

Ordered, that the committee on public buildings, enquire into the expediency of causing a doorway to be cut from the committee room of this house leading to the outer hall.

The clerk of the Senate delivered the following message,

By the Senate,

January 2d, 1838.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message, proposing to proceed this day at 12 o'clock, to the election of a Council to the Governor, and concur therein. No additional nominations are made to those named in your message. We have appointed Messrs. Purnel and Brown, to join the gentlemen named by you, to count the ballots and report the result.

By order.

Joseph H. Nicholson, Clerk.

Which was read.

Mr. Huddleson reported a bill, entitled, an act, supplementary to an act, entitled, an act to regulate the issuing of licences to traders, ordinaries and others, passed at December session, 1827, chapter 117;

Which was read the first time,—And

On motion of Mr. Huddleson, referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Orrick reported a bill, entitled, an act to authorise the commissioners of Baltimore county to appoint trustees to the poor, And