Ordered, That Messrs. Gouge and Williamson be that committee.

Mr. Allen of Franklin presented the petition of Benjamin W. Pope and William Gassaway, praying to be permitted to erect a mill-dam across Big Muddy river; and on his motion, the reading of which was dispensed with, and the same referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Allen of Franklin, Read and Pace be that com-

mittee.

Mr. Copland presented the petition of sundry citizens of Johnson county, praying a re-location of a part of the State road that lies between Vienna and the City of Metropolis, and on his motion, the reading of which was dispensed with, and the same referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Copland, Read and Able be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Dawson,

Resolved, That the Auditor of Public Accounts be requested to transmit to this House a tabular statement, by counties, of the amount of taxable property set down to each, and the whole amount of property assessed in the State. The amount of revenue which will be derived therefrom. The amount required by the State to defray the ordinary expenses of the State Government; together with such other remarks and explanations as his experience has found to be necessary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Bond, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the following resolution, in the adoption of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, and have appointed Mr. Gatewood the committee on their part, viz:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That a joint select committee consisting of one on the part of the Senate, and two on the part of the House be appointed to prepare and report joint rules for the government of the intercourse of the two Houses. And he withdrew.

The resolution contained in the foregoing message was read and concurred in, and Messrs. Cloud, Murphy of Cook, and Fisk were appointed

the committee upon the part of the House.

Mr. Murphy of Cook introduced a bill, entitled a "Bill for an act to amend an act, entitled an act, to vacate the survey and plat of the town of Middleton;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Murphy of Cook,

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McMillan introduced a bill entitled "A bill to amend an act, entitled an act relative to criminal jurisprudence;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. McMillan,

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. McMillan,

Was referred to the committee on Judiciary.