

Mr. Duncan, from majority of Baltimore city delegation, reported favorably,

House bill entitled "An Act to repeal a portion of the Act of Assembly of 1892, chapter 200."

Messrs. Seigmund and Martenet submitted the following minority report.

#### REPORT:

To the Honorably Members of the House of Delegates. We, the undersigned members of the Baltimore city delegation, believing that in a determination of the question of the propriety of repealing the Act of 1892, chapter 200, it is the duty of the members of the General Assembly, none the less than it would be that of a Court of Justice, to observe and obey the principles upon which rests the inviolability of a contract, and believing further that no such condition exists in the city of Baltimore at this time, as would justify a violation of those principles on the ground that a preservation of public interest demands it, beg leave to dissent from the majority of said delegation and submit the following substitute therefor.

Signed.

CHARLES E. SEIGMUND,

O. C. MARTENET.

A bill entitled "An Act to authorize the Mayor and city Council of Baltimore to regulate the exercise by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore city and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of the rights and privileges granted to said companies by Ordinance No. 41, approved May 9, 1889, and ratified by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1892, chapter 200, and by the charter of the city of Baltimore.

"Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore is hereby authorized to regulate, from time to time, by ordinance or ordinances, the exercise by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore city and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of the rights and privileges granted by Ordinance No. 41, approved May 9, 1889, and ratified by the General Assembly of Maryland of 1892, chapter 200, and