

of officers, wages of employees, repairs and maintenance of plant, taxes, interest on present bonded debt of said company, cash to be set aside as a sinking fund for the redemption of said bonded debt at maturity, not exceeding one per cent. of said bonded debt, and other necessary and lawful changes. Said proceedings to be instituted against said Consolidated Gas Company of Baltimore city by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore as a large consumer of gas furnished to it by said company on its own behalf, or jointly with other consumers of gas, to restrain said company from the collection of any greater charge than the price of \$1 per thousand cubic feet fixed by this Act; the answer of said company to be filed within ten days after the institution of said proceedings against it, and the testimony to be taken and returned to court within three months, either party to be entitled to appeal from the decree of the court below to the Court of Appeals, and the appeal to be heard at the term next succeeding the transmission of the record, the costs of the proceedings to be paid by said Consolidated Gas Company of Baltimore city."

Mr. Knott submitted the following minority report.

#### REPORT.

We the undersigned, minority members of the Corporation Committee respectfully submit that we dissent from the majority report, with amendments on the Gas Bill, being in favor of reporting the bill favorably as it came from the Senate, and offer the Senate bill, printed No. 5, as a substitute for the majority report.

A. LEO KNOTT,

Chairman of Committee.

O. C. MARTENET.

Mr. Knott moved that the majority and minority reports be made the Order of the Day for Monday night next, at 8.30 P. M.

Which motion was rejected.

The question then recurring upon the adoption of the minority report,

Same was considered, and

Rejected by yeas and nays, as follows :