

Mr. Linthicum, from Select Committee, reported favorably,

House bill entitled "An Act to add a sub-section to be designated 'Sections 203 A to section 203 of Article 10, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title 'Dorchester County,' sub-title 'Justices of the Peace.'"

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Choate, from Select Committee, reported unfavorably,

House bill entitled "An Act to divide the Ninth Election District of Baltimore county, into two election districts, to be known as the 'Ninth Election District of Baltimore county,' and the 'Sixteenth Election district of Baltimore county,' and to constitute said division into election districts of Baltimore county."

Which unfavorable report was adopted.

Mr. Smith, from Select Committee, reported favorably,

House bill entitled "An Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments section 13, of Article 99, of the Code of Public General Laws, title 'Wild Fowl, Birds and Game,' and all other laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, in so far as they relate to the killing, catching or having in possession birds and game in Queen Anne's county."

Which was read a first time.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Investigating Committee made the following

##### REPORT:

The committee appointed by order of the House to investigate charge of corruption in regard to the business of this session, respectfully report that on Wednesday, March 14th, the committee met and examined into the charges made by the Mayor of Baltimore city and published in an interview in the *Baltimore Sun* of March 9th, and into subsequent charges made in various newspapers in Baltimore in regard to the bill now pending before the House, known as the "Telephone Bill," in regard to the use of money to influence legislation. In this examination we have taken the testimony of Thomas G. Hayes, Mayor of Baltimore; Charles E. Phelps, En-