

in provided to be named, are hereby authorized immediately upon notice of their selection to make such examinations of the books, papers and accounts of said company as shall be necessary, and also to summon before them and examine under oath to be administered by them to all officers and agents of said company, and such other persons as they may deem necessary to examine, and also hear such other persons as may volunteer to come before them for the purpose above named, which said summons shall be served by the sheriff of Baltimore city, and which he is hereby directed to do.

Said commissioners may employ such assistance as they may require in the discharge of their duties.

All salaries and expenses incident to the said commission shall be paid by the Consolidated Gas Company, of Baltimore city.

Be it further resolved, That said commission shall, on or before the 20th day of February, 1900, present to the Senate and House respectively, a report with any recommendations they have to make; and

Be it further resolved, That the committees respectively of the Senate and of the House, to which said bills have been referred, be and they hereby are requested to report their action upon said bills to their respective bodies, not later than February 23rd, 1900.

Which was read a first time, and

On motion of Mr. Bouic.

Referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Peter, from the Committee on Elections, reported favorably,

Senate bill entitled "An Act to add an additional section to Article 35 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, entitled 'Election,' said section to follow section 83 of said Article, to be designated 'Section 83 A.'"

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

By Mr. Putzel,

Amend by striking out all after the word "Court," on