

the last word of said line, that is to say, the word "public," and insert in lieu thereof the word "public."

In line 2 of section 4 of original bill, after the word "holders," insert the following, "or any other persons affected by the change or work hereby authorized to be done."

Amend by adding at the end of section 4, after the word "company," the following :

"And if either the said railroad company or said property owners aforesaid shall be dissatisfied with the award of said County Commissioners in the premises, it or they or any of them may file its or theirs or his or her petition against the said County Commissioners in the Circuit Court of Baltimore county, setting forth the claim of the petitioner or petitioners and the manner in which said claim has been dealt with by the said County Commissioners, and praying that the said Court, with the aid of a jury, may proceed to hear and determine the damages sustained by said petitioner or petitioners in the matter of the alteration of the grade of said road and other matters hereinbefore provided for. Said cause shall be heard at the term as of which said petition is filed, or at the next succeeding term; and said Court shall enter its judgment for the plaintiff or plaintiffs or defendants, according to the verdict of the jury.

Which proposed amendments were severally adopted. And the bill was read the second time.

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The President distributed the following message from the House of Delegates:

House Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of Maryland, requesting our Representatives in Congress to vote for the passage of the Grout and Richardson bills now before Congress.

Endorsed; "Read the second time and passed by yeas and nays."

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also,

House bill entitled "An Act to incorporate 'The Mer-