

the Governor's Message to be printed, be referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Davis, of Caroline, from the Select Committee, reported a bill entitled an Act, to repeal so much of Section one of the act of 1860, chapter 203, entitled an Act, to carry into effect the eighth section of the Act entitled an Act for the promotion of Internal Improvements, passed December Session, 1835, chapter 395, as appropriates (\$13,000) thirteen thousand dollars to the Choptank and Mispillion Rail Road Company, and to appropriate the \$13,000 to the Dorchester and Delaware Rail Road Company, incorporated at the extra session of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed February 6th, 1866, chapter 52;

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Earle,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations, to report a bill, to incorporate Corsica Lodge, No. 118, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

On motion of Mr. Waters,

The Senate then adjourned.

MONDAY, January 7th, 1867.

The following communication was received from the Lieut. Governor:

BALTIMORE, Jan'y 6th, 1867.

Hon. J. T. EARLE,

My Dear Sir:—An important engagement will prevent my attendance in the Senate to-morrow. Will you do me the kindness to preside in my place, and make this explanation to the Senate.

Hoping to find you better on my return,

I am, my dear sir,

Yours, very truly,

CHRIS. C. COX.

Mr. Earle accordingly assumed the duties of the Chair.

Clement Barry, Page, appeared, qualified and entered upon the discharge of his duties.

Mr. Compton presented the petition of Edward A. Mar-