

Mr. Mules presented the memorial of John M. Smith, and 33 other citizens of Baltimore city, praying that no modification or amendment may be made in the charter of the Baltimore and Potomac Rail Road Company ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Mules presented the petition of the Maryland Institute for the promotion of the Mechanics' Arts, asking an appropriation to sustain the School of Design and other schools ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Maddox presented the petition of D. M. Tyler and 35 citizens of St. Mary's county, praying for a new wood law ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Mr. Stephenson presented the memorial of 25 citizens of Cecil county, against the erection of booms in the Susquehanna ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Also, the memorial of 27 citizens of Cecil county, against the erection of booms in the Susquehanna River ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Also, the memorial of 20 citizens of Cecil county, protesting against the erection of booms in the Susquehanna River ;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Earle presented two memorials in relation to the Oyster trade of Baltimore city ;

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Chesapeake and its Tributaries.

On motion by Mr. Philpot, it was

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal of the Senate, that Senator Holton, of Howard county, is absent from his seat in consequence of sickness in his family.

On motion by Mr. Bowie,

Leave was granted the Committee on Finance to introduce a bill to refund a sum of money erroneously paid into the State Treasury, by William D. Bowie, Jr., in the year 1866, on account of storage of tobacco.

On motion by Mr. Maddox,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to intro-