

to assume such part of the debt of the Mayor and Councilmen of the town of Hagerstown, known as the McCausland debt, as they may deem just and equitable ;

Which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Davis, Trail and Stirling.

A bill entitled, an Act to change the name of W. H. C. Oldson to Harvey Oldson Palmer ;

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

A bill entitled, an Act to secure the completion of the Dorchester and Delaware Rail Road ;

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

Mr. Maddox, from the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, reported a bill entitled, an Act to amend and re-enact section 22d of an Act to repeal Article 71 of the Code of Public General Laws entitled, "Oysters," regulating the taking and catching of oysters within the waters of this State, and to re-enact the same with amendments thereto ;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Mules, from the Committee on Corporations, reported a bill entitled, an Act to incorporate the Academy of Sciences of the city of Baltimore ;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Stirling, from the Committee on Corporations, reported a bill entitled, an Act to incorporate the Equitable Gas Light Company of Baltimore city ;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Stirling, from the Committee on Corporations, reported a bill entitled, an Act to incorporate the Maryland Central Rail Road Company ;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Bowie from the Committee on Agriculture, reported a bill entitled, an Act to prevent the spread of the disease called glanders, in this State ;

Which was read the first time, and

On motion by Mr. Bowie,

The rules were suspended, and

The bill was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading ; and

On motion by Mr. Bowie,

Was re-committed to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Compton from the Committee on Education, to which was referred the bill entitled, an Act to authorize and re-