

the assessable property of Kent county, to aid in constructing the Kent county railroad.

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

Mr. Vickers presented the petition of William Gooding and 17 other tax payers of Kent county, for an Act to levy a tax on Kent county, to aid in constructing the Kent county railroad;

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

On motion by Mr. Maddox, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Claims, pay the expenses incurred by the Joint Committee appointed by the Legislature, to visit the benevolent institutions of the State.

On motion by Mr. Maddox,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to introduce a bill to incorporate a company to construct a railroad from some eligible point in Prince George's county, through the counties of Prince George's, Charles and St. Mary's, to Point Lookout.

On motion by Mr. Mules,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Internal Improvements to introduce a bill to allow the Merchants Union Telegraph Company, of New York, the privilege to extend their lines of Telegraph through the State of Maryland.

On motion by Mr. Young.

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to report a bill to incorporate Clarksburg Lodge No. 100, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in Montgomery county.

On motion by Mr. Philpot,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to introduce a bill to legalize the acts of George W. Ritter, a Justice of the Peace of Baltimore county, done by him in the city of Baltimore, as such justice since the 1st day of January, 1859.

On motion by Mr. Davis, of Caroline,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Education to introduce a bill to repeal section 2 of chapter 3, title "School House Sites," of the act of 1865, chapter 160 entitled, an act to add a new article to the Code of Public General Laws to be entitled, Public Instruction, providing a uniform system of free public schools for the State of Maryland, to repeal all existing laws inconsistent therewith, and to re-enact