

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Colton, chairman of the Committee on Claims, reported favorably a bill entitled an Act appropriating the sums of money therein mentioned to pay the claims of Plummer & Usilton, Wm. H. Councill, F. E. Ewing, E. F. Perkins, N. H. Green, Dr. Montgomery Johns, Samuel L. Geisinger, John T. Watkins, Edwin M. Shipley, Samuel Smith and Geo. W. Murdoch.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Hubbard, chairman of the select committee on mileage, reported a bill fixing the mileage of members and officers of the General Assembly of Maryland, with proposed amendments.

Said bill being upon a second reading,

Mr. Pentland submitted the following amendment :

Provided, That none of the within named sums shall exceed the sum of fifteen cents per mile.

Mr. Slingluff submitted the following amendment to the amendment :

Amend by inserting half cent a mile, instead of "fifteen cents," and that the members from Baltimore city pay one cent per mile, for every mile traveled, into the Treasury.

Which was rejected.

The question then recurring upon the amendment submitted by Mr. Pentland,

It was rejected.

Mr. Smith, of Baltimore city, moved that the bill be re-committed to the committee with instructions to report a bill making the nearest post office to each member the point from which to estimate the distance for fixing the mileage instead of the county towns as now adopted.

Decided in the negative.

The bill as amended, was then read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Slingluff (the rules being suspended,) presented the petition of 150 citizens of Baltimore and Carroll counties, praying for an Act authorizing the Commissioners of said counties to build a bridge over the Patapsco Falls where the lime kiln road crosses said Falls.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore and Carroll county delegations.

On motion of Mr. Hall,

(The rules being suspended,)