

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a Committee, consisting of four members of the House and three of the Senate, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate respectively, be, and the same are hereby constituted and appointed a Joint Special Committee, to whom shall be referred all matters of account in dispute, and all differences between the State of Maryland and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, relative to the transportation of passengers, said Committee to have power to send for persons and papers, and to employ a competent accountant to aid them in their deliberations, and report thereon to this General Assembly, for their action, within fifteen days after the passage of these resolutions.

*And be it further resolved, That upon the failure of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to pay into the Treasury of the State, the amount which said Committee may report to be due the State by the said Company, for the space of twenty days after the adoption of the report of this Committee by the General Assembly, then, and in that event, the Attorney General is hereby directed forthwith to institute proceedings, by writ of *scire facias*, in the name of the State of Maryland, against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, to ascertain whether the charter, and corporate franchises and privileges of said Company, ought not, by reason of misuser and abuse of its franchises and privileges, be vacated and annulled.*

*And be it further resolved, That the Governor is hereby authorized to employ counsel to aid the Attorney General in prosecuting the said writ of *scire facias**

Also returned the Senate bill entitled an Act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Worcester county to purchase sites, and to erect Public Buildings thereon for the use of said county, and to issue bonds on the credit of said county, to carry into effect the provisions of this Act.

Endorsed, "Reported unfavorably from a Select Committee, and report adopted."

On motion by Mr. Clarke,

Said bill was ordered to lie over.

The Senate bill entitled an Act to extend the charter of the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company,

Was read the third time and passed by yeas and nays, as follows: