

Company hereby incorporated, and the aforesaid corporation, or a majority of them, may cause books to be opened at such times and places as they may direct, for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to the said capital stock of said Company, after having given thirty days' notice in two daily newspapers of Baltimore city.

SEC. 17. *And be it enacted*, That if this railroad shall not be commenced in ten years, and shall not be finished in eight years from the time of its commencement, then this Act shall be null and void.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect, and be in full force from the date of its passage.

Which was adopted.

Said bill was then read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Earle, from the Committee on Finance, to whom the leave was granted, reported a bill entitled an Act to pay George Colton & Son, the sum of \$2,495.47.

Which was read the first time.

Also, from the same Committee, to whom the leave had been granted, reported

A bill entitled an Act supplementary to an Act entitled an Act to make certain improvements in the vicinity of the Live Stock Scales, passed at the January session, 1864, chapter 23, and to an Act amendatory thereof, passed 1866, chapter 120, by appropriating a sum of money to enable the Commissioners therein named to discharge the liabilities incurred thereunder.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Earle, from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Joint Resolutions in reference to the claim of the State *vs.* the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.

Reported them unfavorably.

On motion by Mr. Earle,

The further consideration of said report was ordered to be postponed until Tuesday, March 1st.

Mr. Henkle, from the Select Committee, to whom the leave was granted, reported a bill entitled an Anatomy Act.

Which was read the first time.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the Joint Resolutions requiring and directing the Treasurer, under the direction of the Governor, to sell the remaining bonds of the Defence Loan, the proceeds to be applied to the current wants of the Treasury.