

Which was read.

Also,

A communication from the Clerk to the County Commissioners of Somerset county, enclosing a statement of the amount of taxes derived from mortgages in said county for the year 1869.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Miller presented the petition of the School Commissioners of Cecil county, for amendments to the present School law.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion by Mr. Snyder,

The rules were suspended in order to give the Senate bill entitled an Act to enable the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to subscribe to the stock of the Valley Railroad, incorporated by the State of Virginia, to the amount of one million of dollars.

Said bill was then read the third time and passed by yeas and nays, as follows :

**AFFIRMATIVE.**

Messrs. President,  
Biggs,  
Browne,  
Earle,  
Fields,  
Hyland,  
Maddox,  
Malone,

Miller,  
Parker,  
Snyder,  
Stephenson,  
Timmons,  
Welch,  
Wilson—15.

**NEGATIVE—None.**

Said bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the following bills :

A bill entitled an Act to provide for the appointment of an additional Justice of the Peace for election district No. 4, in Harford county.

Which was read the first time and referred to a Select Committee.

A bill entitled an Act to repeal the Act of incorporation of Mechanicstown, in Frederick county, Maryland, passed February 13, 1832, chapter 111, and the supplement thereto, and sections 193 to 212, both inclusive, of Article 11 of the Code of Public Local Laws, and to substitute in lieu of said Acts and sections, the following sections incorporating the village of Mechanicstown, in said county.