

Mr. Brown presented the petition of numerous citizens of Carroll county, against granting a charter to Bachman Valley Railroad Company,

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion by Mr. Parker,

Leave was granted to the Senators from Calvert, Kent and Somerset counties to report a bill to tax dogs in Calvert county.

On motion by Mr. Fields,

Leave was granted to the Senators from Caroline, Wicomico and Dorchester counties to introduce a bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Caroline county to sell a part of the lands belonging to the Almshouse property of said county.

On motion by Mr. Wilson,

Leave was granted to Senators Wilson, Snyder and Browne to report a bill entitled an Act to repeal sections 44, 45 and 49 of Article 16, of the Code of Public Local Laws, entitled "Prince George's County," under head of "Collectors," enacted by the Act of 1868, chapter 330, and to repeal sections 33, 34 and 35 of Article 81, of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Revenue and Taxes," enacted by the Act of 1865, chapter 155, in so far as the same may relate to Prince George's county, and to re-enact the following as sections 44, 45 and 49 of Article 16, of the Code of Public Local Laws, entitled "Prince George's County," under head of "Collectors," and to change the mode of collecting county tax in Prince George's county, and to authorize a deduction for prompt payment.

Mr. Stephenson submitted the following

JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this General Assembly, that by section three of the fifth Article of the Constitution, and under the Act of Assembly of 1868, chapter 471, authority and power is conferred on the Governor to direct the Attorney General to institute appropriate proceedings in a Court of Justice, having jurisdiction, to enforce the legal obligations of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, under its charter.

Resolved, That in the opinion of the General Assembly, the public interest requires that the Governor should execute the power thus conferred upon him, unless within twenty days after the passage of these resolutions, the said Railroad Company shall comply with and perform its obligations to the State under its charter.