Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to introduce a bill to enable the Powhatan Steamboat Company to issue its bonds to the amount of three hundred thousand dollars.

On motion by Mr. Wilson,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to report a bill to pay the accounts of C. C. Magruder, Jr., Henry Brooke and P. G. Grimes for costs in sundry State cases in Prince George's county; and the accounts of J. N. W. Wilson and Isaac Scaggs for taxes erroneously paid into the State Treasury.

On motion by Mr. Henkle,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to report a bill to grant B. Duncan Smith, a Tax Collector for Anne Arundel county, further time to complete his collections.

The President laid before the Senate the following communication from the Comptroller in response to an order of the Senate.

> Comptroller's Office, Annapolis, March 23, 1870.

Hon. Barnes Compton,

President of the Senate:

DEAR SIR:—In compliance with the following order passed the Senate on the 21st instant, to wit:

"Ordered, That the Comptroller report to the Senate at an early day as possible the amount of money appropriated for the use and benefit of the Maryland Agricultural College; also the cause of the retention by the Comptroller of 10 per cent, out of the fund arising from the sale of the Public Lands donated to the States by the United States, for educational purpose."-I beg leave to report that the Legislature appropriates annually to the Agricultural College, six thousand (6,000) dollars in addition to five thousand nine hundred and eighty five (5,985) dollars, and sixteen (16) cents, received by said College for the interest on the proceeds of the sale of Agricultural College scrip invested in bonds of the State of Maryland and Brookville Academy. The 10 per cent. of the sales of the College scrip was retained by the Comptroller under the provisions of section 7, chapter 53, of 1866.

Respectfully submitted, LEVIN WOOLFORD, Comptroller.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Snyder presented the petition of Albert Sigmund, of Baltimore city, praying to be refunded money paid into the