

ments, to introduce a bill to authorize the Shenandoah Valley Railroad Company, of West Virginia, to construct their railroad to Hagerstown, and to form a junction with the Western Maryland Railroad at said town.

On motion of Mr. Biddle,

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Judiciary, to introduce a bill to prevent prize fighting within the limits of the State of Maryland.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin, of Anne Arundel,

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Judiciary, to introduce a bill to repeal section 164, Article 30, Code of Public General Laws, title "Crimes and Punishments," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Neill,

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Judiciary, to introduce a bill to legalize the official charges of Justices of the Peace made since April 1st, 1869.

Mr. Mitchell, Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, reported

A bill entitled an Act supplementary to an Act entitled an Act to aid and encourage enlistments into the Maryland Regiments in the service of the United States, passed at January session, 1864, chapter 15, and the several amendments and supplements thereto, and to repeal section 9 of the Acts of 1868, chapter 235, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

The Committee was discharged.

Mr. Brattan moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Claims.

Decided in the negative.

The bill was then referred to the Committee on the Militia.

Also favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to repeal section 13, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Landlord and Tenant," subtitle "Distress for Rent," and re-enact the same with an amendment,

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Harrington, Chairman of a Select Committee, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Dorchester county, to build a Bridge over