

Which was read the first time.

On motion by Mr. Downs,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to introduce a bill to refund to Francis M. Goddard and Charles L. Fowler, of St. Mary's county, late collectors of State taxes, certain sums of money by them erroneously paid into the Treasury.

Mr. Timmons, from a Select Committee, to which leave had been granted, reported

A bill, entitled an Act to amend section 40, of Article XXIII., of the Acts of 1863, title "Worcester County," subtitle "Elections," by changing the name of Sandy Hill District to the name of Stockton District.

Which was read the first time,

Mr. Tuck, from the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, to which had been re-committed Senate bill, entitled an Act to amend and re-enact section 139, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the Bonds of Trustees, reported said bill with an amendment.

Which was adopted, and

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

Mr. Tuck presented the petition of the Annapolis Water Company, asking assistance.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Hon. J. T. Mason, Secretary of State, appeared and delivered a communication from his Excellency, Governor Whyte, endorsed, "Executive Business,"

On motion by Mr. Stephenson,

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of Executive business.

The Senate having resumed the consideration of Legislative business.

Mr. Earle, from the Committee on Finance, to which had been referred

Senate bill, entitled an Act to provide for the levying and collection of a tax on the transportation of Coal mined in this State and transported from the mines for sale.

Also,

Senate bill, entitled an Act to tax the gross receipts of Railroad Companies in this State,