

A bill, entitled an Act authorizing the Commissioners of Baltimore county, to build a bridge over Jones' Falls, at Rogers' Avenue, in said county.

Which was read a first time.

The Hon. John Thomson Mason, Secretary of State, delivered the following communication from his Excellency, the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
ANNAPOLIS, January 29th, 1872

*To the General Assembly of Maryland :*

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor herewith to transmit a letter from Peter C. Harris, Captain of Engineers, U. S. Navy, enclosing a communication from the Light House Board, and respectfully submit the same to your consideration.

WM. PINKNEY WHYTE.

Together with accompanying papers, which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. Staylor, (the rules being suspended,)

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Judiciary to introduce a bill, entitled an Act to repeal the 50th section of Article V., of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to appeals, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 56, passed at January Session, A. D., 1870.

The hour having arrived for taking up the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the bill, entitled an Act to amend chapter 126, of the laws passed January Session, 1870, entitled an Act to authorize the Faculty and Board of Trustees of the Washington University of Baltimore, to use the real estate of said University, situated on the corner of Calvert and Saratoga streets, in Baltimore City, as a basis of credit to raise a sum of money, not exceeding ten thousand dollars, by creating a ground rent thereon for the uses of said University.

Said bill being upon a second reading,

Mr. McColgan submitted the following amendment :

Section 1, line 6—Strike out the word "fifteen," and insert "ten."

The question recurring upon the adoption of said amendment,

On motion of Mr. Kirk,