

to introduce a bill to repeal chapter 355 of the Acts of 1872, entitled an Act to authorize the issuing of licences to Telegraph and Transportation Companies, and Express Companies, &c., and to re-enact the same with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Henkle,

Leave was granted to the Anne Arundel delegation to introduce a bill to approve an Act passed January session, 1872, chapter 245, entitled an Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county to subscribe to the capital stock of the Baltimore and Drum Point Railroad Company, as provided by section 54 of Article 3 of the Constitution.

On motion of Mr. Etchison,

Leave was granted to the Prince George's delegation to introduce a bill to amend or abolish the Local Law of Prince George's county, imposing a tax on dogs.

Mr. Gill submitted the following Joint Resolutions:

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland has provided public schools both in the counties and in the City of Baltimore, for the education of colored children, wherever the same could be maintained by an average attendance of not less than fifteen scholars; which schools are subject to the same rules and regulations, and furnish the same course of instruction as the other public schools in the same district in which they may be situated.

*And whereas*, The State of Maryland has further provided a State Normal School for the education of colored teachers, to supply teachers of the colored race to the present colored schools, and for such other colored schools as may hereafter be organized; all of which has been done with a liberal spirit and at considerable expense to the State.

*And whereas*, These schools have been provided by the State at the request of the best and most intelligent portion of our colored population, in their petitions to the General Assembly of 1872, asking "for larger facilities for the acquisition of a rudimental education," and praying not "that the school for whites should be thrown open to their children, which they say would be detrimental to their educational interest; but that a portion of the school fund, both of the State and counties, should be applied to the maintenance of their separate schools, where their children might be gathered together upon a common level, and receive their educational training at the hands of teachers of their own color."

*And whereas*, The present school system, with such addi-