

Which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Getty, Aydelotte and Spencer.

The unfinished business of yesterday coming up, being

The Senate bill entitled "An Act relating to Auctioneers in Baltimore county."

On motion by Mr. Blake,

Was laid over.

Mr. Blake presented the application of Dr. A. Trego Shertzer and Dr. Ridgeway Andre, asking for an appropriation, for the purpose of establishing a Lying-in Hospital in the city of Baltimore.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Also, the following

MEMORIAL.

*To the Honorable
the General Assembly of Maryland:*

The memorial of the Baltimore City Passenger Railway Company respectfully represents:

That your memorialists became a chartered corporation under the laws of the State of Maryland, on the 15th day of January, 1862, and from that time to the present, have been operating their line of street railways in the city of Baltimore.

That during that period, they have paid out of their gross receipts, under the provisions and requirements of their charter, to the Register of the city of Baltimore, as a Park tax, over one million of dollars, and are now in arrears nearly one hundred thousand dollars due and owing on account of said tax.

That although the payment of this heavy tax, amounting to one-fifth part of their entire gross receipts, together with the cost of paving and keeping in repair the streets, the payment of licenses, State taxes, and other expenses, have not allowed, at all times, the stockholders to receive interest or compensation on their investment; nevertheless your memorialists have struggled on under the burthen, hoping that an increase of population, incident to a large and growing city, would remedy the difficulties, and in the end, they could hope for a fair return for their investment.

While these reasonable expectations would, no doubt, have been realized in time, the intervening circumstance growing out of the building and chartering of other Companies run-