Mr. Watkins, Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to repeal the 2nd section of the Act passed January session, 1870, chapter 362, entitled an Act to assess and collect taxes on the property of the several railroad corporations chartered by the State of Maryland, and to re-enact the same with amendments, and to add the same to Article 81, of the Code of Public General Laws of this State.

Which was read a first time.

Also, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to repeal the Act passed at January session, 1872, chapter 234, entitled an Act to tax the gross receipts of Railroad Companies in this State for State purposes, and to re-enact the same with amendments, and to add the same to Article 81 of the Code of Public General Laws of this State.

Which was read a first time.

Also, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to repeal the Act passed at January session, 1872, chapter 274, entitled an Act to regulate the taxation of Coal Mining Companies in this State for State purposes, and to re-enact the same with amendments, and to add the same to Article 81 of the Code of Public General Laws of this State.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Foster, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to refund to Charles G. Hanson a certain sum of money erroneously paid into the Treasury,

Which was read a first time.

Also, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to indemnify Asbury McNamara for loss and damage sustained by oyster police steamer in the year 1869.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Watkins, Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to repeal the Act passed at the January session, 1872, chapter 355, entitled an Act to authorize the issuing of licenses to Telegraph Companies and Express or Transportation Companies not organized under the laws of this State, to transact business therein, and to