

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

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Revenue Bills.

The 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,

Was then read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled an Act to repeal the second section of the Act passed at 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,

Was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The vote by which said bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was reconsidered.

The bill then being upon a second reading,

Mr. Watkins submitted the following amendment :

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Sec. —, line 6, strike out the proviso from end of said line to the end of section.

Which was adopted.

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

The 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,

Being upon a second reading,

Mr. Brace submitted the following amendment :

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Section 159, line 4, strike out the words "two cents," and insert in lieu thereof the words "one-half of one per cent."

Which was read.