

and other buildings within three hundred feet of a line of water pipes ; provided, they shall not assess a water-tax on any building where the water is not taken on the premises, for a sum greater than five dollars, nor less than one dollar per annum, and the Mayor and City Council, are hereby authorized to enforce payment for the use of water and other expenses incurred in the introduction of water from the main according to the rates established by the Mayor and City Council, which shall be uniform ; and for the water-tax assessed, said payments to be enforced by the same process that city or State taxes are collected, and the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby authorized and required to appoint watchmen or such police force, for the protection of their water-works in the city and county of Baltimore, and to impose fines and penalties for interference or injury to their works or their appendages to prevent the water from being obstructed or contaminated, and to prohibit all meddling or tampering with the water-works, and their appurtenances ; said fines and penalties shall be enforced as provided in this Article, sections 229 to 235 inclusive."

Which was rejected by yeas and nays as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Mr. Davis—1.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Blake,	Lloyd,
Brewer,	McCulloh,
Billingsley,	Phelps,
Claggett,	Stevens,
Denson,	Steiner,
Earle,	Spencer,
Fields,	Suit,
Knight,	Tuck,
Longwell,	Williams—18.

Pending the further consideration of said bill.

Mr. Earle called up the order of the day.

On motion by Mr. Stevens,

The order of the day was postponed for a half-hour.

Mr. Davis submitted the following amendment to the pending bill :

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

At the end of section "one" add the following :

"And the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are hereby authorized and required to assess rates for the supply and use of water at any point in Baltimore city and county, and to assess a water-tax on houses and other buildings