effect after the approval by the property owners who are qualified voters in said town."

Which was read the first time, and referred to the

Montgomery delegation.

By Mr. Morrison,

A bill entitled "An Act to declare the sanction and consent of the General Assambly of Maryland, to the bequest of Maria Shackelford, late of Baltimore city, State of Maryland, deceased, made by her last will and testament, dated the 10th day of February, 1903, to the Board of Trustees of the Central Presbyterian Church of Baltimore."

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The Secretary of the Senate appeared and delivered the following message:

Senate bill, File No. 50, entitled "An Act to enlarge the charter powers of the Western Maryland Railroad Company; to approve the present location of its railroad from Big Pool, in Washington county, to its connection with the system of the West Virginia Central and Pittsburg Railway Company, near Cumberland; to enable it to exercise the powers of condemnation prescribed for railroad companies under the General Laws of Maryland; to declare and confirm its right to cross and re-cross with its railroad the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, the Potomac Valley and Potomac River, and ratifying the action of the Board of Public Works of Maryland in approving the plans of said railroad company for crossing said canal; to expressly authorize it to condemn certain parcels of land of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company lying on the northern and southern sides of said canal, together with the easement of crossing the same with bridges and railroad, and the easement of the right during construction, to erect and use temporary platforms, bridges and other appliances in, upon, or over said canal to provide for transporting waste material from the north side to the south side thereof, and to give said railroad company