

St. Mary's and Charles counties to shoot wild fowl in the Wicomico river and its tributaries.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Sanders, Chairman of a Select Committee, to whom had been referred

The Senate bill entitled an Act to establish a free bridge over the Patapsco river between Baltimore city and Anne Arundel county, at or near the present site of Light street bridge,

Reported the same, with proposed amendments.

#### AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"That the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county be, and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed, to purchase the bridge over the Patapsco river, known as "Light street Bridge," together with the buildings, abutments, and all other appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining, and to keep and maintain the same as a free bridge, at all times, if the owners thereof will, on or before the first day of October, 1876, agree to sell the same unto the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county, at a price and upon such terms and conditions as to them may appear fair and reasonable.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That if the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county shall not be able by mutual agreement to purchase said Light street bridge from its owners, on or before the first day of October, 1876, as provided in the preceding Section of this Act, then and in that case the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county, are hereby outhorized, empowered and directed, to build a substantial bridge over said river, or the Southwest branch thereof, from some suitable point on the Anne Arundel county shore of said river, within a reasonable distance from the southernmost terminus of said "Light street bridge," westwardly to a convenient and practicable point in Baltimore county; and the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county, are hereby authorized and empowered to acquire by inquisition, purchase or otherwise, all the lands and materials necessary for the construction of the said bridge and its abutments, and for necessary roads leading to and from the same, for the convenience of public travel; and said bridge when built, shall be maintained and kept in proper