

On motion of Mr. Baldwin,

The further consideration thereof was postponed, and said bill made the order of the day for Monday, the 21st inst.

Mr. Donaldson submitted the following

### JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, By an Act of the General Assembly, passed at December Session, 1826, chapter 123, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company was incorporated for the purposes and with the powers therein named, more especially in Section 14 of said Act, and Section 18 of the same.

*And whereas*, By Section 2 of said Act, it is declared that the said Company "shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding, selling, leasing and conveying estates, real, personal and mixed, so far as shall be necessary for the purposes thereafter mentioned, *and no farther*," \* \* \* \* "and shall have, enjoy, and may exercise all the powers, rights and privileges which other corporate bodies may lawfully do, for the purposes mentioned in this Act;" and in Section 21 of the same Act, "that the provisions of this Act shall be wholly in force as to all the property of the Company which may be situated or may be within the State of Maryland, and which said Company is permitted to hold under this Act.

*And whereas*, The said Company has acquired and holds within the State of Maryland, a large amount of property, real and personal, not only for the manufacture of railroad material, locomotives and other rolling stock, but also for many other kinds of manufacture, for hotels, for grain elevators and warehouses, for wharves and docks, engaging in the business of warehousemen and wharfingers, of hotel-keepers and manufacturers of railroad material, and many other descriptions of merchandise, none of which are purposes contemplated within the said Act or any of its supplements, for which said Company was to be permitted to hold property.

*And whereas*, The said Company also is understood to hold large amounts of property, real and personal, not used for any of the purposes contemplated in said Act, or any of its supplements, but merely as an investment.

*And whereas*, By a misapprehension of the rights and powers of the said Company, the properties hereinbefore referred to, and much other have heretofore escaped taxation, for State, county and municipal purposes

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it is the duty of the several assessors and tax collectors of the several cities and counties of this State, and they are hereby directed to proceed at once to assess and collect taxes for State, county and municipal purposes, upon all such