

and all useful reading matter at their disposal, put up in packages, and forwarded by express to the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city, and to the Clerks of the different counties.

Resolved, That the Clerks be ordered to pay the express charges on the same, and hold them subject to the order of the American and German Benevolent Society of Maryland, said books, pamphlets, &c., to form a nucleus for a public reading room or lyceum, to be established in the different towns throughout the State.

Resolved, That the sum of \$50, or as much of it as is necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury, not heretofore appropriated, to pay for the transportation of said books and documents.

And be it further resolved, That these resolutions be printed, and a copy be sent to our Senators and Members of Congress, and to the Clerks of the respective Courts above-named.

Which were read the first time.

Mr. Stevens, from Committee on Judicial Proceedings, reported unfavorably,

The memorial of John K. Skinner, John W. Wood and 20 others, praying that a poll-tax be imposed.

Which was adopted.

And favorably the following bills:

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal Section 168, of Article 93, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the investments by guardians of the moneys of their wards, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Also,

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal Sections 171 and 172 of Art. 93, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the investment by guardians of the proceeds of sales of real estate belonging to their wards, sold by a trustee in equity, and to re-enact the same.

Also,

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal, amend and re-enact Sections 459, 464, 467, 469, 470 and 475 of Art. 4, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "City of Baltimore," sub-title "Live Stock."

Which were read the first time.

Also, favorably,

House bill entitled an Act to commute the term of imprisonment of such prisoners in the Maryland Penitentiary, as shall be found worthy.