

The said bill was then read the first time,
And referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Clark, from the special committee, reported favorably on a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Maryland and Delaware Rail Road Company;

Which was read the first time.

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following message:

By the Senate,
January 9th, 1856.
Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to take into consideration the report of the commissioners appointed under Article 3d, Section 17th, of the Constitution, to revise, simplify and abridge the rules of practice, pleadings, forms of conveyancing, and proceedings of the courts of record in this State, and concurring therein, have appointed Messrs. Schley, Semmes, and Berry on the part of this body.

By Order,
C. HARWOOD, Secretary.

On motion of Goldsborough,
The rules were suspended, and

Leave was granted to the Committee on Ways and Means to bring in a bill to repeal the Stamp tax.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey,
The House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 14th, 1856.

The House met. Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Travers, Speaker; Harris, Griffith, Dorsey, Neff, Waters, Stone, Rankin, Wright, Cullings, Heath, Clark, Roberts, Toadvine, Lawson, Wilson, of Somerset, Dail, Thomas, Bowie, Rolph, Parker, Timmons, Smith, of Worcester, Davis, Carper, Grove, Hauver, Silver, Whitby, Stack, Kennedy, Partridge, Smith, of Baltimore city, Valiant, Askew, Harrington,