

Mr. Kennedy offered the following amendment :

“Provided that the Columbia and Port Deposit Rail Road Company, and the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Rail Road Company shall not either separately or jointly arrange the rates of charges either for passengers or tonnage passing to or from the line of the Columbia and Port Deposit Rail Road, so that passengers or tonnage may be transported from or to any point on the line of said road, to or from the city of Wilmington or Philadelphia, or any point on the Delaware bay or river, at a less rate per passenger or per ton per mile than the rates charged to or from the city of Baltimore, or any point on the Chesapeake from or to any point on the line of the said road.”

Amendment assented to.

Mr. Silver offered the following amendment :

“Provided that said Company shall pay into the Treasury of Maryland a tax of 5 mills per ton per mile, on all tonnage passing over the line of said Rail Road, from the receipts on tonnage during such time the State of Maryland and the city of Baltimore may hold an interest either as stockholder or mortgagee in the Tide Water and Susquehanna Canal Company; and it is further provided that the Treasurer of Maryland shall have power to appoint an agent or agents to collect the tonnage tax as aforesaid, in such manner and at such times as he may determine, and the proceeds of said tax shall be appropriated first to pay any deficiency on the part of said Canal Companies, in the payment of the current interest due the State of Maryland, and any balance thereafter shall be applied to the declaration of a dividend on the stock of said Company, including that held by the city of Baltimore, in accordance with the charters of said Companies.”

Amendment rejected.

On motion of Mr. Partridge,

The rules were suspended to allow him to report favorably on a Senate bill from the select committee, entitled,

An act amendatory of an act entitled, an act to authorise the Baltimore United Fire Department, incorporated by an act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at December session, 1833, chapter 187, to regulate the admission of new members into one department.

Also, on the Senate bill entitled, an act to provide a summary mode of recovering the possessions of lands and tenements held by tenants for one year, for a term of years, from year to year, for a less period or at will, after the expiration of their tenancy.

Also, on the bill entitled, an act supplementary to the act incorporating the Northern Central Railway Company, and to en-