

Which was read the first time, and referred to the committee on Judiciary.

The bill entitled, An act to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, to issue certificates of debt, to be denominated "Water Stock,"

Was read the second time.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication, from the Treasurer of Maryland:

TREASURY, ANNAPOLIS,

January 16, 1858.

To the Hon. J. S. BERRY,

Speaker of the House of Delegates,

SIR:—In compliance with an order of this House of the 14th instant, "requesting the Treasurer of Maryland to furnish the House with the amount of bonds issued by the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road Company, under the provisions of the act of December session 1841, passed March 1st, 1842, what amount of said bonds have been redeemed, and what amount of money, if any, directed by the said act to be applied to the payment of the interest on said bonds remains unappropriated; also the names of the parties now holding said bonds." The Treasurer submits the following statement:

The amount of bonds issued was.....		\$ 80,000.00
Amount of bonds redeemed and paid was.....	\$28,473.30	
Amounts called in for redemption....	3,877.82	32,351.12
Amount yet to be provided for.....		47,648.88
Which amount is held by the follow- ing parties, viz:		
Baldwin, Mathias.....		1,160.05
Baldwin, Vail & Hufty,.....		1,100.00
Brown, Isaac.....		100.00
Chesapeake Bank,.....		22,569.05
Donaldson, Jno. L.....		1,889.45
Dorsey, Lloyd.....		252.00
Gettings, Jno. and Geo. H. Williams,.....		1,700.00
Harris, Jno.....		5,399.41
Harris, Jno. Ex'r. of Jno. Higham,..		2,700.00
Jewel, Anson.....		1,000.00
Rust, Paul,.....		2,500.00
Rice, Jacob.....		1,097.71
Todd, Benjamin.....		6,181.21
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