

the bridges upon said canal which may lead to any public ferry on the Potomac river.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

The House took up the preamble and resolutions submitted by him on the 9th instant, instructing our senators, and requesting our representative in Congress, to introduce and vote for a bill to transfer the stock held by the United States in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, to the State of Maryland.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

The first resolution was amended by inserting in the blank in the sixth line the word "five."

On motion of Mr. Causin,

The first resolution was further amended by striking out the words "be instructed," in the second line;

The question then recurred on assenting to the said preamble and resolutions as amended;

And on being put,

Were assented to and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Graves, chairman of the committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the order to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Treasurer of the Western Shore, to recall the three millions of State bonds issued under the eight million loan of 1835, for the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, at present in the hands of the Baring, Brothers & Co. in London, reported that the said committee have made the inquiry as directed through their chairman, of the President of said company, and obtained from him his views in relation to said order, which they herewith submit, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of said order, and that the same to be referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice;

Which was read and concurred in, and the same accordingly referred.

On motion of Mr. Phelps,

Whereas, on Thursday 29th ultimo, on motion of Mr. Phelps, leave was granted the committee on the Constitution to report a bill so to alter the Constitution of this State, as to reduce the number of delegates from the different counties of this State, and the city of Baltimore—Therefore,

Ordered, That the said committee be and they hereby are instructed by this House, to report said bill on or before Tuesday next.

Mr. Gallagher reported a bill entitled, an act to give to justices of the peace jurisdiction in the matter of the appearance bonds of insolvent debtors;

Read the first time and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

The House took up the resolutions in relation to the postage accounts of the members of the Legislature, being the unfinished business of yesterday.