

more county, praying the release of the estate of Colonel Abraham Jessop from securityship ;

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

On motion of Mr. Sellman,

The House took up the bill entitled, an act concerning the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road Company.

Mr. Johnson then moved to amend said bill by striking out the second, third, fourth and fifth sections and inserting in lieu thereof the following :

“ Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the interest on the stock to be issued as aforesaid shall be payable exclusively out of the profits of the said company, and the profits which this State shall derive from the use of the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road, now in connexion with the Washington branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road; and the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road Company is hereby required on the first days of June and December, in each and every year, to pay over to the Treasurer of the Western Shore the net profits of said company realized during the six months preceding, and also to render a just and true account of the number of passengers transported during said terms over the aforesaid rail road from the city of Annapolis to the city of Baltimore and to the city of Washington, and from each of the last named cities to the city of Annapolis; and seven fifteenth parts of the aggregate amount received by the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company for the transportation of such passengers, shall be deemed and taken to be the profit derived to the State by the use of said roads in connexion as aforesaid.

“ Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the surplus of said fund which may remain after payment of interest as aforesaid in any year, shall be applicable, and in the discretion of the Treasurer, applied to the redemption of the certificates of stock to be issued as aforesaid.

“ Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That for any monies which the State may have to pay on account of said stock, it shall be deemed and taken to be a creditor of the said company and entitled to priority as such.

“ Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to defeat or impair the State's priority in the application of the profits of said company, excepting in so far as it may be necessary for the the satisfaction of the creditors of the company as aforesaid.”

Which were read.

On motion of Mr. Sellman,

Ordered that said bill and amendments be made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The clerk of the Senate delivered the following bills:

A bill entitled, an act to revive an act entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the town of