

pay the State's proportion of the United States direct tax, levied or to be levied, for the purpose of suppressing rebellion and maintaining the integrity of the Union;

Was read a second time,

Pending which,

Mr. Donaldson proposed the following amendments:

After the word "authorised," in section 8, line 7, insert "in his discretion, and with the approval of the Governor and Comptroller, certified in writing;"

Add the following section:

"Section 10. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from the day of its passage;"

Which were adopted.

Mr. Magruder proposed the following amendment:

Section 3, line 10, after the word "war," insert, "and every certificate of stock issued under the provisions of this act shall specify that the said stock is issued for the purpose of obtaining means for the payment of the State's proportion of the direct tax, levied under the provisions of the act of Congress of August 5th, 1861, and of any other direct tax that may be hereafter levied by Congress before the issuing of such certificate;"

Which was rejected.

A bill entitled, An act to incorporate the United Brewing and Malting Company of Baltimore;

A bill entitled, An act to add a section to article 9, of the Code of Public Local Laws of this State, relating to schools, providing for the disbursement of the funds applicable to the primary schools of Charles county;

A bill entitled, An act to authorise the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, to assess and collect water-rates and water tax, to supply water on the line of their water works, and to protect said water works from injury;

A bill entitled, An act to authorise the payment to Johns Hopkins of the amount of a bond of the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Railroad Company;

Were severally read the second time.

The bill entitled, An act to amend the 93d article, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to testamentary law, by adding a section thereto relating to devises and bequests, and the construction of words importing the failure of issue;

Was read a second time,