

consideration the report of the majority of the joint committee on the subject of internal improvement,

And the substitute offered for said report by the minority of said committee, being a bill, entitled, an act for the promotion of internal improvement.

Mr. Duckett moved to amend said substitute, by inserting after the word 'certified,' in the fifth section, twenty first line, the following, in these words, 'to the Treasurer in writing, supported by the oath or affirmation of a majority of said directors, that they sincerely believe in the truth of their certificate and statement,'

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Duckett moved further to amend said section, by striking out after the word 'company,' in the 29th line thereof, the word 'will,'

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Merrick moved further to amend said section, by striking out in the same line, after the word 'sufficient,' these words, 'secured to it, exclusive of all future profits and debts by the company,

Which was read.

Mr. Pratt moved as a substitute for said amendment, to strike out in the 29th line, the word 'funds,' and inserting in lieu thereof, the following, 'by subscriptions and money on hand, over and above the debts of said company an amount;'

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Spence then offered as a substitute for the amendment offered by Mr. Merrick, to insert after the word 'opinion,' these words, 'by subscriptions and funds immediately available.'

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred upon the amendment as offered by Mr. Merrick,

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. McLean, said section was further amended by inserting after the word 'ferry' in the 32d line, the following, 'and it is hereby declared to be and made the duty of the said company to, and they shall so locate and construct the said road as to pass through each of said places,'

On motion of Mr. McLean, said section was further amended by adding at the end thereof the following,

'Provided that if the said Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road company, shall not locate the said road in the manner pro-