

Justice, to bring in a bill authorising the confirmation of a certain sale therein mentioned ;

Mr Clarke submitted the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company have not complied with the conditions of their charter, requiring the said company to contract and complete their road to the Ohio river before the year '842, as provided by the act passed at December session 1837, ch. 314 ; and whereas, the said company did violate the provisions of the act of 1835, ch. 245, in changing the route of the said road, not passing by way of Hagerstown and Boonsboro', in the county of Washington, to its present track west of Harper's Ferry—therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, have no right to sell, hypothecate, or use in any manner whatever, the three million two hundred thousand five per cent sterling bonds issued in favor of said company, under the act of December session 1838, ch. 386, without the further action and consent of the legislature of this State.

Resolved, That copies of the foregoing resolution be transmitted by the Governor to the President and Directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, and to the Messrs. Barings and Company of London.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Lynch submitted the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, It is understood that a joint resolution has passed the House of Representatives of the United States, and is now pending in the Senate, for the annexation of Texas to the United States, in the manner, and upon the terms, therein specified; the passage of which, would in the judgment of this General Assembly, be a flagrant violation of the Constitution of the United States; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Senators representing this State in the Congress of the United States, be requested to oppose and vote against the passage of the said resolution, and that a copy of this preamble and resolution, signed by the presiding officers of the two Houses, be forthwith forwarded to the said Senators :

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, of A. A.

Ordered, That after the order or orders of the day having priority to the bill entitled, "an act imposing duties on promissory notes, bills of exchange, specialties and other instruments of writing to aid in paying the debts of the State," shall have been disposed of, the bills and resolutions reported from the committee on Ways and Means, affecting the revenue and finances of the State, shall have a preference over all other business during the present session.