

operative until it shall have received the approbation of the proprietors of the canal, whose rights cannot be violated by legislative enactment.

HENRY PAGE.

Mr. Sappington submitted the following report:

The undersigned, a majority of the committee to whom was referred the memorial of a convention of citizens called to deliberate upon a reform of the constitution of Maryland, and the memorial of a large number of citizens of Frederick county on the same subject, have carefully considered those memorials. They cannot but concur in the positions which these memorials advocate; and they would declare their conviction that in the progress of our state and population, and by the change in the relative circumstances of the counties of the state, the period has arrived when a revision of our constitution is urgently demanded, and is due to those fair principles of republicanism, on which alone our individual political rights can be adjusted, and our civil liberties permanently secured. The undersigned therefore beg leave to report the accompanying bill, as adapted to attain these objects of the memorials.

THOMAS SAPPINGTON,
CHARLES F. MAYER.

A bill entitled, an act to call a convention to revise the constitution of the state of Maryland, which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Wootton, the bill entitled, a further supplement to the act to incorporate the Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road company, was taken up for consideration,

And whilst progressing in the third reading,

On motion of Mr. Emory, the following amendment was read and assented to:

In the 6th line of the 1st section strike out the word "appropriation" and insert the word "loan."

On motion of Mr. Dennis, the question was put,

"Will the senate agree to strike out the 2d section?"

The yeas and nays were asked for, and on taking them they appeared as follows: