

Mr. Pratt presented a memorial of the President and Directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail-Road company, praying certain alterations of the acts of Assembly, authorizing the construction of a rail-road from Baltimore city to the city of Washington;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Internal Improvement.

Mr. Ely obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, An act to secure to mechanics and others, payment for labor done, and materials furnished in the erection of buildings and machinery, or either of them, within this state;

Ordered, That Messrs. Ely, Jump, and Schley, report the same.

Mr. Wright of Dorchester, submitted the following resolution.

*Resolved*, by the General Assembly of Maryland. That the Register of the Land office for the western shore, be and he is hereby authorized, and directed to issue a patent or patents, in the name of Elisha Wright, on two certificates of Resurvey, one on a tract of land called "Wright's Chance," containing six acres and thirty perches of land—the other called "North Division," containing two hundred and seventy acres and three quarters of an acre of land, which was resurveyed for Jacob Wright, March 16th, 1784.

Which was read the first and second time by special order, assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Nicols, from the joint committee, to which were referred the proceedings of the late Convention of the state of South Carolina, delivered the following report.

The joint committee to whom was referred the ordinance and other documents, transmitted us by the Governor of South Carolina, and that part of our late Governor's message relating thereto, have given the subject that attention which its serious import demands, and report the following:—

1st. *Resolved*, by the General Assembly of Maryland, that in expressing our opinion upon the ordinance of nullification, and the recent proceedings of South Carolina, it is our duty to declare our opinions firmly on the principles assailed, and to expostulate mildly and affectionately with her.

2nd. *Resolved*, That we hold these principles to be incontrovertible, That the Government of the United States was adopted by the people of the different states, and established "in order to form a more perfect union, establish