

praying for a reduction of the assessment upon certain bonds in Allegany county.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Mr. Blake,

Leave was granted to the Committee on the Chesapeake Bay and its Tributaries to introduce a bill for the protection and culture of fish in the waters of this State.

On motion by Mr. Steiner,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Pensions to introduce a bill restoring the names of John Jamison, Richard Wootton, Jeremiah Frazier, soldiers of the war of 1812, and Mary Kinney, Catharine Hoffman, Sarah Miller and Catharine Head, widows of soldiers of the war of 1812, to the Pension List of the State.

On motion by Mr. Aydelotte, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Finance be and hereby are, instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the law exempting tax on mortgages, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion by Mr. Knight,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Federal Relations to introduce a bill giving the consent of the State of Maryland to the purchase by the United States of lands within this State for public purposes, and ceding jurisdiction thereof to the United States.

Also,

Leave to introduce a bill to authorize the United States to procure the condemnation of lands within the State of Maryland, for certain public purposes, and ceding the jurisdiction thereof when so condemned to the United States.

On motion by Mr. Getty,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to report a bill to authorize the Governor to appoint a Notary Public in Garrett county.

On motion by Mr. Lloyd,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Chesapeake Bay and its Tributaries to report a bill to establish a Commission of Fisheries of the State, to regulate its appointment, define