

nolds and 450 others, residents of Frederick, Cecil, Washington, Harford, Dorchester, Carroll, Baltimore, Somerset and Kent counties, asking for an appropriation by the State for the maintenance of the Department of Farmers' Institutes of the Maryland Agricultural College."

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Applegarth presented a petition from Sol. F. Tyler and 550 other citizens in favor of shortening the term of scraping for oysters in the waters of Dorchester county.

Also,

A petition from Oscar Aaron and 100 other citizens of Hooper's Island, in favor of the establishment of a dividing line between tongers and scrapers in the waters of Honga river.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Chesapeake Bay and Tributaries.

Also,

A petition from Thos. B. Travers, John R. Tubman and 45 others, requesting an annual appropriation of \$5,000 as necessary to properly maintain the farmer's institute.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Peter presented a petition from various citizens of Baltimore city in favor of a bill to be presented to the present Legislature for equal taxation, by changing the present trader's license.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Moses,

A bill entitled "An Act to add a new section to Article 56, of the Code of Public General Laws, title 'License,' to follow section 81 B, and to be designated as 'Section 81 C.'"

Which was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.