

the power of the legislature on corporations, inquire into the expediency of requiring all chartered companies hereafter incorporated for the construction of canals, rail roads, turnpikes, or plank roads, to transport all fertilizers of the soil, and agricultural implements free of toll.

Which was read.

Mr. Ware moved to amend said order by adding at the end thereof the following:

“And also all materials used in the mechanic arts.”

Determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Phelps moved further to amend said order by adding at the end thereof the following:

“And also require all steam boat companies incorporated by the legislature of this State, to convey all agricultural implements, manures and fertilizers free of charge.”

Which was read.

Mr. Michael Newcomer moved to lay said order and amendment on the table.

Determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Davis,

The yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Dent, Wells, Kent, Sellman, Weems, Buchanan, Lloyd, Dickinson, Sherwood, of Talbot, Colston, McCubbin, Grason, George, Wright, McMaster, Hearn, Fooks, Shriver, Biser, Annan, Nelson, Thawley, Hardcastle, Stewart, of Baltimore city, Brent, of Baltimore city, Sherwood, of Baltimore city, Ware, Fiery, Michael Newcomer, Hollyday, Slicer, Fitzpatrick, Ege, Shower, Cockey, and Brown—36.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Chapman, President, Morgan, Blakistone, Hopewell, Ricaud, Lee, Chambers, of Kent, Mitchell, Dorsey, Bell, Chandler, Ridgely, John Dennis, Dashiell, Williams, Hicks, Phelps, Miller, McLane, Tuck, Sprigg, Bowling, Dirickson, McHenry, Carter, Stewart, of Caroline, Kilgour, Davis, Waters, Weber and Smith—31.

So the order and amendment was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dorsey, it was

Ordered, That the committee on the Treasury Department, inquire into the expediency of creating an officer to be called the State's Agent, or to bear such other name as the committee may deem more appropriate, to be elected by the joint or concurrent vote of both branches of the General Assembly of Maryland, whose duty it shall be when appointed, after ascertaining the legality of the issuing thereof, to countersign all bonds, coupons, or other certificates of indebtedness of the State, thereafter issued by the Commissioner of Loans; and to make in well bound books to be furnished him by the Treasurer of Maryland at the expense of the State, full, fair and explicit entries of all bonds, coupons and certificates of indebtedness of the State, countersigned by him, and of all bonds or certificates of indebtedness in lieu of which such countersigned instruments may have been substituted; and