

the rate of tolls adopted by any company, and use all legal powers which it may possess, to obtain the establishment of a rate which may prevent an injurious competition with each other to the detriment of the interest of the Treasury of the State, and report their acts annually to the Legislature."

Mr. Dorsey, moved to amend said amendment, by inserting after the words "Directors," in the 2nd line these words, "where such power can be constitutionally exercised," and after the word "annually," in the last line by inserting "or biennially as the case may be," and by striking out the words "of the treasury."

Which amendments Mr. Howard accepted.

Mr. Dorsey, moved to amend said report by adding at the end thereof the following :

"And it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to keep a Journal of their proceedings, and at each regular session of the Legislature, to make to it a report, and if they deem it necessary, to recommend such Legislation as they shall think requisite to promote or protect the interest of the State in the Public Works hereinafter mentioned."

Which amendment Mr. Thomas accepted.

Mr. Davis, moved further to amend the amendment offered by Mr. Howard, by adding at the end thereof the following :

"And in the adjustment of tolls, due regard shall be had so to adjust them as to promote the agriculture of the State."

Which was read.

Mr. Spencer, moved the previous question, and being seconded ;

The question was put on the adoption of the amendment as offered by Mr. Davis ;

Mr. Davis, moved the question be taken by yeas and nays, and being ordered, appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Chapman, Pres't, Morgan, Blakistone, Hopewell, Ricaud, Chambers, of Kent, Mitchell, Dorsey, Kent, Bond, Brent, of Charles, Buchanan, Bell, Welch, Ridgely, Lloyd, John Dennis, Hicks, Goldsborough, Eccleston, Miller, Bowie, Tuck, Sprigg, McCubbin, Bowling, Spencer, Dirickson, McMaster, Jacobs, Shriver, Biser, Stewart, of Caroline, Schley, Fiery Davis, Brewer, Waters, Anderson, Weber, Smith, and Cockey—42

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Lee, Donaldson, Howard, Crisfield, Dashiell, Williams, McCullough, Grason, George, Fooks, Thomas, Gaither, Annan, McHenry, Nelson, Hardcastle, Gwinn, Stewart, of Balt. city, Brent, of Balt. city, Sherwood, of Balt. city, Ware, Neill, John Newcomer, Harbine, Hollyday, Slicer, Parke and Brown—28.

So the amendment to the amendment was adopted.