

AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

Add at the end of section 20 the following: "And when clutch or small oysters adhere so closely to the shell of an oyster in above the length of two and one-half inches as to render a removal impossible, then such large oysters, together with the adhering small oysters or clutch, shall be left on the natural beds or bars. The possession of any empty shells among a cargo of oysters or any oysters of which the shells measure from hinge to mouth less than two and one-half inches, on board of any boat or vessel in the waters of this State, shall be prima facie evidence that the cargo is unculled and violation of this section. It shall be the duty of the State Fishery Force to enforce the provisions of this section.

Which was rejected.

Mr. Cornthwaite moved (seconded by Messrs. Carter and Gill) that the vote by which the following amendment was adopted during the morning session offered by Mr. Anderson, be re considered.

In line 130, section 14, after the word "common," insert "or the citizens of Wicomico and Somerset, from using the Wicomico river in common."

Which motion prevailed.

The question then recurred upon the adoption of the proposed amendment.

It was decided in the negative by yeas and nays, as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Speaker, Combs, Strong, Wilson, Hutchins, Ireland, Carrico, Maddox, Orrick, Hamilton, Jr., Schlaffer, Meredith, Smith, of Dorchester, Miles, Bowie, of Prince George's, Hill, Perrie, Bryan, Wallen, Godwin, Franklin, Wilkin-Hayman, Hayward, Stearns, Thompson, Walz, Carter, Bowie, of Baltimore city, Gill, Sams, Sanders, Frincke, Carr, Cornthwaite, Joyce, Shafer, Laird, Stottlemyer, Berret, Ellegood, Laws, Moore, Bittinger—44.

NEGATIVE.—Messrs. Brashears, Donaldson, Collins, Wooters, Leonard, Green, Anderson, Sterling, Kirk, Grove, of Cecil, McSherry, Grove, of Frederick, Bevard, Deen, Johnson, Field, Haines, Sellman, Tracey, Haslup, Michaels—21.