performance of their duties as prescribed in this Act. They shall also be allowed to employ a competent surveyor, who shall also be a hydrographic engineer. upon a salary to be named by said commissioners, not exceeding \$2500 a year. All salaries, outlays and disbursements authorized by this Act shall be paid out of the General Treasury of the State of Maryland, upon requisitions made by the Shell Fish Commissioners, indorsed by the Comptroller of the State, but the same shall be repaid out of the first revenues arising from the leasing of lands for oyster culture, contemplated by this Act. The commissioners shall, immediately after their appointment, file in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals separate bonds, with a surety or sureties to be approved by the State Treasurer in the sum of \$25,000, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties imposed by this Act. The said commissioners shall take and subscribe before the Governor of the State the official oath prescribed by the Constitution.

Which was adopted.

Also,

Whenever the word "Commissioner" occurs in this bill substitute "Commissioners."

Which was adopted.

Also,

Insert in lieu of section 25, the following:

"Sec. 25 And be it enacted, That the land beneath the waters within the limits of Worcester county be and the same is excepted from the operation of this Act, which shall not be construed to apply in any manner to Worcester county waters."

Which was adopted.

Also,

Section No. 25 in the bill to be numbered section No. 26.

Which was adopted.

Which was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Goslin, At 6.20 o'clock, p. m.,

The House took a recess until 8 o'clock, p. m.