

with a desire and view to encourage honest competition and for the protection of the agricultural community as well as of the manufacture, prays your Honorable Body to create an office of Inspector of artificial manures, whose duty it shall be to duly inspect and analyze all artificial manures offered for sale; attaching to each analysis the moneyed value of the constituents contained in the article analyzed or inspected, and the value of the preparation to the farmer. By the creation of an office of this kind, a competent sworn inspector would stand as a disinterested party between buyer and seller, thereby protecting the farmer from fraud and imposition, and securing to the manufacturer full value for his preparation.

Your memorialist would further venture, most respectfully, to suggest that the contemplated arrangement might be made advantageous to all parties concerned, without any burden to the Treasury of the State. Such inspection and analysis might be made, and the cost thereof met by individuals concerned; leaving, however, your Honorable Body to throw such guard around the subject matter, by specification of such rates of inspection as you in your wisdom may deem expedient.

And as in duty bound, your memorialist will ever pray, &c.

P. S. CHAPPELL.

Baltimore, March 3d, 1856.

Which was referred to the committee on Agriculture.

The Speaker submitted the following message:

*By the House of Delegates,*

March 6th, 1856.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

You are respectfully requested to return bill No. 104, entitled, "an act to authorise the building of a bridge over the Patapsco river at Ferry Bar."

By Order,

THOMAS H. KENT, of Jos.

Chief Clerk.

Which was read and rejected.

Mr. Partridge submitted the following order;

Ordered, That the Hall of the House of Delegates and the Committee Room belonging to the same, shall not be opened for or used by any society, association, person, or persons, during the intervals between the sessions of the General Assembly, for any purpose whatever, except for the sole purpose of ventilating and keeping the same in order; and the State Librarian, Chief Clerk of the House, or other person having, by law or resolution,