

Mr. McKeehan presented the memorial of twenty-one citizens of Frederick county, praying the passage of a law relating to public roads in said county;

Read and referred to Messrs. McKeehan, Lynch, Crampton and Richardson.

Mr. Shaw presented the petition of sundry citizens of Carroll county, praying a repeal of the direct tax law.

And the petition of John Stoner, and others, of Carroll county, praying a repeal of the direct tax law.

Mr. Powder presented the petition of Richard Fowler, and others, citizens of Carroll county, praying a repeal of the direct tax law.

And the petition of George Cassell, and others, citizens of Carroll county, praying a repeal of the direct tax law.

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Griffith presented the petition of sundry citizens of Montgomery county, praying to indemnify a certain John Gillispie for building a bridge therein mentioned;

Read and referred to Messrs. Griffith, Worthington, Dade and Kilgour.

Mr. Gallagher presented the memorial of sundry citizens of this State, praying for indemnity for losses sustained on tobacco during the late flood in the city of Baltimore at warehouse No. 2.

Read and referred to the select committee already raised on that subject.

On motion of Mr. Risteau,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Risteau, Gallagher, Spence, Hall and Starr, to bring in a bill to regulate the tolls on the Baltimore and Susquehanna rail road, in reference to the transportation of lime, limestone, wood and coal.

Mr. Nesbit submitted the following:

Whereas, a preamble and several resolutions have been submitted to this House by the gentleman from Saint Mary's, and made the order of the day for Monday next, contemplating a postponement of the collection of the State taxes for 1843, "until periods for the payment thereof shall be prescribed by the Legislature at its next annual session;" and whereas, this is a matter with which the *faith*, the *honor* and *credit* of the State may possibly be intimately connected; and whereas, on all important subjects like the present, in which the people are so deeply interested, it is the duty of the representatives of the people to ascertain and carry out the will of their constituents; and whereas, that will, in reference to this matter, as yet, is known but to few members on this floor; therefore—

Resolved, That it would be improper and inexpedient for this House to take any action upon this subject, until we have some expression of public sentiment in reference to this matter.

Resolved, That in order to enable the members of this House to vote knowingly upon this subject, we suggest to the people of