NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Ridgely, Spr. Parsons Whiteford Coade Rider Nicols Causin Jones of Som. Zeigler Gartt Williams Claggett Estep Frazier Gittings Dorsey Bowie Hellen Maccubbin Sprigg of Al. Brewer Coombs Dalrymple George Thaver Matthews Richardson Shower Randall E. A. Lynch Boyle-33

So the bill was rejected. On motion of Mr. Coade,

Ordered, That the select committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Annopolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road Company, be and they are hereby required to investigate the affairs of said company, particularly as to the manner all money heretofore appropriated by the State, in aid of said road has been expended, the number and names of officers who have been or are at present in the employ of said company, with the amount of salary paid to each, and whether said officers and their salaries may not be reduced, and also as to the probability of said company's paying the amount of money it at present owes to the State, and report to this house; and that said committee have power to send for persons and papers.

On motion of Mr. Causin,

Ordered, That the Commissioners of Lotteries report to this house the name of the contractor for the State Lotteries, and furnish an abstract of his bond to the State for the payment of the guarantee required by law, and also an abstract of his bond for the payment of the prizes that may be drawn in either the State or consolidated schemes, particularising the penalty, the name of the obligees therein, and the means which they have taken by affidavit or otherwise, to inform themselves of the sufficiency of such security; also the place of residence of said contractor and obligees; and of residents of States in which the lottery system is prohibited by law, whether they have been legally advised of the penalties of said bonds can be recovered against the contractor and his obligees—and further, whether said obligees are by co-partnership, or otherwise, to their knowledge, connected with said contractor in the conduct of said lotteries, and what. difference, if any, exists, in the phraseology of the licenses issued this year from those formerly issued, and upon what suggestions and for what purpose such difference in said licenses were made;

The hour having arrived for taking up the order of the day, the house proceeded to consider the order of the day, being the report and resolution submitted by Mr. Bowie, chairman of the committee on ways and means, on the 23d ultimo, in relation to the public fi-

nances of the State;