

AFFIRMATIVE.—Messrs. Watson, (Speaker,) Casin, Thomas, of St. Mary's, Hopewell, Spencer, Tilden, Hollyday, Murray, Thomas of Anne Arundel, Johnson, Warfield, Freeman, Phelps, Calvert, Semmes, Harrison, Buckey, Lynch, Thomas, of Frederick, Nail, Polk, Yellott, Hopkins, Curley, Carey, Weber, Hollman, Kilgour, Griffith, Hammill and Ecker.—31.

NEGATIVE—Messrs. Alnutt, Weems, Walker, Carroll, jr., Poultney, Bowdle, Thomas, of Talbot, Waters, of Somerset, Philips, Stewart, Dail, Lackland, Cropper, Owen, Harris, Temples, Purnell, Hearn, Cathell, Shriver, Keene, Stansbury, jr., of Baltimore city, Mann, Boteler, Wade, Shaw, Stull and Powder.—28.

So the leave was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Carey,

The House proceeded to ballot for a director on the part of the State, in the Mechanics Bank of Baltimore, in the place of William H. Gatchell, declined, and after being engaged therein for some time, the Speaker delivered the ballot box to Messrs. Lankford and Arringdale, the gentlemen appointed on the part of the House, to join the gentlemen named by the Senate to count the ballots and report the result, who repaired to the Senate Chamber for that purpose.

The rule being suspended.

Mr. Thomas, of Talbot, presented a petition signed by sixty-one citizens of Talbot county, praying the passage of a law to prevent Philadelphia and Baltimore sein-haulers from hauling their seines in the creeks and inlets in Great Choptank, Miles and Wye rivers;

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Thomas, of Talbot,

Referred to the delegations from Talbot county and Baltimore city.

Mr. Thomas, of Talbot, also, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Talbot county, praying the passage of a law to prevent sein-haulers or fishermen of other States, from fishing within the waters of this State;

Which was read and referred to the joint delegations of Talbot, Caroline and Dorchester counties.

Mr. Semmes submitted the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, in pursuance of resolution No. 8, 1840, a joint committee of the Senate and House of Delegates, consisting of three members, one from the Senate and two from the House of Delegates, have been appointed to execute the said resolution; and whereas, it now appears that it will take a much longer time than was anticipated, therefore—

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said committee may postpone so much of their duty as requires to be performed at the Commissioner's office, in the city of Baltimore, until after the termination of the present session of the