The resolutions from the State of Massachusetts, mentioned in said communication, was

Referred to the committee on Colored Population.

And the returns of the special election for a delegate, recently held in Dorchester county, was

Referred to the committee on Elections.

On motion of Mr. Waters, of Somerset,

The House adjourned until to morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 24th, 1844.

The House met. Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Causin, Thomas of St. Mary's, Hopewell, Spencer, Hollyday, Murray, Thomas, of Anne Arundel, Ligon, Johnson, Warfield, Alnutt, Weems, Dalrymple, Reeder, Walker, Carroll, jr. Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Welsh, Arringdale, Thomas, of Talbot, Lankford, Waters of Somerset, Philips, Stewart, Dail, Phelps, Chaplin, Lackland, Cropper, Owen, Harris, Calvert, Wootten, Temples, Earickson, Purnell, Hearn, Franklin, Cathell, Naill, Shriver, Polk, Yellott, Hopkins, Stephenson, Potter, McKnett, Keene, Curley, Levering, Carey, Stansbury jr., of Baltimore city, Mann, Weber, Hollman, Trundle, Kilgour, Griffith, Waters of Montgomery, McKaig, Hammill, Smith, Fitzpatrick, Shaw, Stull and Powder.

The journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Shriver presented the memorial of Nicholas T. Haller and Margaret R. Haller, of Frederick county, praying for the passage of a law to enable them to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Shriver, Naill, Thom-

as, of Frederick, Buckey and Lynch.

Mr. Trundle presented the memorial of the commissioners of Montgomery county, remonstrating against the propriety of allowing Thomas P. Stabler and Isaac Holland, additional compensation for work therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Trundle, Kilgour,

Griffith and Waters, of Montgomery.

Mr. Lackland presented the petition of William Simco and Andrew Hall, and eighty-five other citizens of Cecil county, praying the passage of a law protecting the fisheries in the Chesapeake bay and its tributary streams;

Which was read and referred to the delegations from Cecil,

Harford and Kent counties.