

porate the Baltimore and Philadelphia Steam Boat Company, reported the same with the following amendments :

Amendments proposed.

Strike out the 4th section to the word company in the 16th line inclusive and insert.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted. That the board of directors shall have power and authority to appoint and employ all officers, engineers and agents as may be necessary to transact the business of the company; that they may purchase or lease lands necessary for the business of the company, hire or build boats, vessels or carriages to be employed by them, make and build such wharves and houses as may be necessary for their business.

Sec. 12. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the President and Directors of said corporation, within sixty days after the said company shall be organized, and the stock in the same subscribed to deliver to the Register of Baltimore city, or to the levy courts or county commissioners of the county in which the same may be situated or held, a true and faithful account of all the stock, property and assets belonging to said company, that the same may be rateable assessed and taxed as other property belonging to individuals :

Which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Chapman,

Ordered to be printed.

The rule being suspended.

Mr. Powder presented the petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, praying a repeal of the direct tax law ;

Which was read.

Mr. Kilgour moved to lay said memorial on the table ;

Resolved in the affirmative,

On motion of Mr. Allnutt,

The yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows :

**AFFIRMATIVE.**—Messrs. Watson, (Speaker,) Thomas, of Saint Mary's, Hopewell, Spencer, Tilden, Hollyday, Murray, Johnson, Warfield, Chapman, Carroll, jr., Stansbury, of Baltimore county, Lankford, Waters, of Somerset, Philips, Phelps, Chaplain, Wooten, Semmes, Ghiselin, Harrison, Earickson, Buckey, Lynch, Thomas, of Frederick, Yellott, Hopkins, Potter, Curley, Carey, Stansbury, jr., of Baltimore city, Mann, Weber, Boteler, Wade, Hollinan, Trundle, Kilgour, Griffith, Hammill, Smith and Fitzpatrick.—42.

**NEGATIVE.**—Messrs. Thomas, of Anne Arundel, Ligon, Alnutt, Weems, Reeder, Walker, Welsh, Bowdle, Thomas, of Talbot, Stewart, Dail, Lackland, Cropper, Owen, Harris, Calvert, Temples, Purnell, Hearn, Franklin, Cathell, Shriver, Stephenson, Ecker, Shaw, Stull and Powder.—27.

So the petition was laid on the table.

The hour having arrived for taking up the order of the day, the House again resumed the consideration of the unfinished order of yesterday, being the bill reported by Mr. Johnson chairman of