

pense of the tobacco fund. This might be the result of admitting the claims of the petitioners, and out of such a privilege the committee apprehends there would grow many abusers prejudicial alike to the tobacco fund and the interest of the producer.

The committee therefore asks to be discharged from a further consideration of the petitions,

All which we have the honor most respectfully to submit.

WM. H. THOMAS,

D. W. NAILL,

L. PHILLIPS,

L. L. WEEMS,

NATHAN LACKLAND.

Which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Thomas, of St. Mary's made an unfavorable report upon the petition of sundry citizens of the city of Baltimore, praying for a modification of the laws relating to the inspection of fish;

Which was twice read and concurred in.

Mr. Lackland presented the petition of John Henderson and one hundred and five other citizens of Cecil county, praying the passage of an act to reduce the number of county commissioners;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Lackland, Cropper, Owen and Harris.

Mr. Warfield reported a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Rebecca H. Shipley of Howard District, of Anne Arundel county;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Wootten chairman of the committee on Internal Improvement, reported a bill entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company;

Which was read the first time, and

Ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

Said bill was made the order of the day for Monday next, the 26th instant.

Mr. Poultney reported a bill entitled, an act to enable owners of real estate and chattels real, to relieve themselves from the annual payment of taxes, levied to pay the interest on the State debt, by payments to be made to the Treasurer of the Western Shore;

Which was read the first time and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Dalrymple reported a bill entitled, an act to allow John Hutchins, former sheriff of Calvert county, further time to complete his collections;

Which were read the first time, and

Ordered to lie on the table.

The hour having arrived for taking up the order of the day, the House proceeded to consider the bill reported by Mr. Wootten,