

On motion of Mr. Ecker,

Leave was granted the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to bring in a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of the Baptist Brethren, commonly called Tunkers.

Mr. Thomas, of St. Mary's, chairman of the committee on Inspections, delivered the following report,

The committee on Inspections to which was referred an order of this House directing an inquiry into the expediency of substituting white labor for black in the State Tobacco Warehouses in the city of Baltimore, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report,

That in their inquiries they have had recourse to all available sources of information on the subject, and find that white labor when substituted for black, is inefficient and unequal to the more arduous duties of the inspector of tobacco. Your committee have therefore concluded, that it is inexpedient to designate by law the labor to be employed, that it should be left to the discretion of the inspectors, who in all cases are best qualified to determine its efficiency.

Your committee further report that any act of the Legislature, restricting the inspectors to the exclusive use of white labor, would in the opinion of this committee have the effect of delaying, instead of facilitating the inspection of tobacco, and thus possibly render the erection of additional warehouses necessary for the preparation and storage of this product.

In view also of revenue, your committee deem the substitution inexpedient, as less labor at the same actual expense, would be the result.

W. H. THOMAS, Chairman.

Which was read the first and second time, by special order and concurred in.

Mr. Curley reported a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Hebrew Love and Friendship Beneficial Society, of the city of Baltimore.

Mr. Levering reported a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Beneficial Society of Pilots, of the city of Baltimore.

Mr. Levering also, reported a bill entitled, an act supplementary to an act entitled, an act for the incorporation of the Grand Lodge of the State of Maryland, of the Order of Independent Odd Fellows, passed December session 1832 ;

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on Corporations.

Mr. Phelps, chairman of the committee on Retrenchment, reported a bill entitled, an act to reduce the salaries of all officers paid out of the State treasury one-fourth, except salaries fixed by the Constitution ;

Which was read, and

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