

Mr. Boteler presented the memorial of fifty citizens of Washington county, praying the legislature to pass an act compelling the Ridge Road Company, to make the road from Sandy Hook to the bridge at Harpers Ferry, in accordance with their charter ;

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

Mr. Ware presented the petition of sundry citizens of Baltimore county, praying that the bridge over the Great Gunpowder Falls at Cromwell's Ford, may be rebuilt ;

Which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject

Mr. Gallagher presented the memorial of one hundred and five mercantile firms in the city of Baltimore, whose names are affixed to a certain memorial presented to the House on the 14th February, disclaiming every intention thereby to approbate the passage of the stamp duty on promissory notes, &c. :

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Gallagher,

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Calvert presented a communication from C. Newbold, Jr., enclosing a bill and calling the attention of the Legislature to a late act passed by the State of Delaware ;

Which was read.

Mr. Calvert then submitted the following order :

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker, to ascertain and report to this House, the effect that the late law, passed by the Legislature of Delaware and entitled, "an act for the protection of the investment of the State in the loan of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore rail road company, and for settling the difficulties between said rail road company, and the Chesapeake and Delaware canal company," will have upon the interests of the State of Maryland in the Chesapeake and Delaware canal company ; and, that said committee also, enquire whether the compromises and agreements authorised by that act, are not prejudicial to the interests and rights of the State of Maryland ;

Which was twice read and adopted.

In pursuance whereof, the Speaker appointed Messrs. Calvert, Polk, Hollyday, of Cecil, Muse, and Clarke, to compose the committee.

Mr. Fitzpatrick submitted the following message :

*By the House of Delegates.*

*February 20th, 1845.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate :*

We return to your honorable body the memorial of John R. Brooke, and one hundred and nineteen citizens of Allegany, praying for a division of said county. Not being a revenue question,