

Your committee were much pleased with the neatness and order in the several offices of the warehouses; also, the system and condition of the books of the several inspectors, and are under obligations to each of those gentlemen and their clerks, for their kind attention. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed,

G. W. DUVALL,
WARREN L. LITTLE,
F. DORSEY HERBERT,
GEO. W. NUTWELL,

The Honorable, the Speaker, presented the following communication from the Comptroller, with accompanying documents:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,

Annapolis, March 5th, 1862.

To the Honorable, JOHN S. BERRY,

Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland.

Sir:—In obedience to an order passed your Honorable Body, I report to the House of Delegates, “a Tabular Statement of the returns made by Notaries Public of the city of Baltimore, for the years 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860 and 1861.”

The Statement now given, embraces all the information required by you, which this office will afford.

The returns of the notaries, did not distinguish, as between protests on notes, protests on bills of exchange and protests on drafts, nor am I aware of any law which requires them so to do.

There are neither papers, nor entries in the books of this office, showing that “an allowance has been made for expenses incident to the transacting of the business of the office of Notary Public in said city,” in the case of any Notary. But there are accounts of Notaries, and returns made by several of them, which show them indebted to the Treasury and which will require the attention of this department.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. MAFFIT, Comptroller.

Which were read and ordered to be printed.

(See Document I.)

On motion of Mr. Reese,
Ordered, that the committee on Claims are hereby directed