

it is based on a new lottery grant, which the committee would deem impolitic, and demoralising to the community. In addition to this consideration, the committee are of opinion that the scheme proposed would enrich the petitioner without any corresponding benefit of the State, so far from rendering an equivalent for the advantages he asks the services of the youths alluded to in culture of silk would be it is supposed quite equal to their maintenance and education. The consequence would be that Mr. Davis would at the expiration of ten years have gained by the munificence of the State an immensely profitable estate, without any other advantage than that which is derived from witnessing the prosperity of his establishment to the citizens at large of the State. The committee believe his scheme is a handsome private speculation, but they can perceive in it no benefit of a character which should entitle it to the patronage of the State, they therefore report unfavourably on Mr. Davis' petition and beg to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All which is respectfully submitted,
Benjamin Hood, Chair'n.

By order,

Richard L. Mackall, Clk.

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

On motion of Mr. Boyd,

The house took up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Alexander, chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled, an act to incorporate the Havre de Grace Bank.

On motion of Mr. Boyd,

Said bill was amended, by striking out in the 3d line, 1st section, the words 'at or near,' and inserting in lieu thereof the word 'in.'

On motion of Mr. Crisfield,

Said bill was amended, by striking out the 9th section thereof.

On motion of Mr. Crisfield,

said bill was further amended by striking out the proviso in the 15th article thereof,

The said bill was then read the second time as amended, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Nicols moved that the house take up for consideration the bill reported by Mr. Richardson, entitled, an act to repeal an act therein mentioned,

Determined in the negative.