

ANNAPOLIS, Thursday, Feb. 2, 1860.

The Committee again met this evening, at 7½ o'clock, in Mr. McCullough's. Mr. Seth in the Chair.

Agreeably to the decision of the Committee at last meeting, Mr. Tyson was the first witness examined.

The Chairman—We are a Committee of the House of Delegates, appointed for the purpose of inquiry into the charges of "discrimination" made by you at a meeting of the Corn and Flour Exchange.

Mr. Tyson—I have with me some of the bills of lading of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which I propose to offer in evidence. Beyond that, I have very little to say. Here is a bill of lading, dated at Cincinnati, 29th April, 1859, to New York, at 60 cents per barrel of flour; one of April 11, (Cincinnati to Baltimore), another of same date, 500 barrels of flour, at 60 cents; another one from Baltimore of the same date, of 500 barrels, at 60 cents. They are all bills of lading for 1859. I have one here dated May 5th, from Cincinnati to New York, at 55 cents. There are 100 barrels on that bill. I have also the Railway Company's bill of charges on 80 barrels of flour, delivered in Baltimore May 7, at 60 cents, (from Parkersburg to Baltimore); another one, dated May 3, from Cincinnati to New York, 500 barrels of flour, at 60 cents; another one, April 27, (New York), 500 barrels at 60 cents: another one, April 22, (New York), 200 barrels at 60 cents. On comparison with them, I place the bills of lading from Chillicothe. These vary from 55 to 60 cents from Cincinnati to New York. From Chillicothe, at the same time, there are 200 barrels of whiskey at 60 cents per 100 bbls., or 80 cents per barrel. I think the date of the bill was June 9. From Cincinnati to New York, 500 barrels at 65 cents. In comparison with that, I exhibit one from Parkersburg to Baltimore at 70 cents.

Question—Does that freight come by river?

Answer—Shipped per steamer "Mariner," and the other as shipped by the "Isle of May;" both by river. The first is 500 barrels of flour at 65 cents from Cincinnati to New York; the other is shipped at the Baltimore House from Parkersburg, June 3, at 70 cents. Here are some shipments, (May 30, 1859), from Cincinnati, by river, at 55 cents. May 10, from Cincinnati to Baltimore, 55 cents. May 4, (I compare these with the Louisville rates, which is rated at 10 cents higher), Louisville, May 4, lard at 20 cents per cwt., equal to 40 cents per barrel to New York. 450 barrels of pork at 75 cents per cwt. from Louisville to New York. Flour from Louisville, 300 barrels, at 50 cents, May 2. Shipped to New York. May