

hearing appeals, &c. and the abatements will diminish the amount as returned by assessors.

I will state, that the Board paid no attention to Treasurer Mackubin's instructions.

Respectfully,

GEO. W. SHERWOOD,

Clerk Commissioners of Talbot County.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,

St. Mary's County, Md. November 9, 1842.

Sir,—In reply to your's of the 1st, I have to say—that during the last year assessors, under the act of 1841, was appointed, and the property of the county assessed to \$4,356,843. A collector was appointed to collect on that sum 20 cents in the \$100 for State purposes; and has no doubt paid into the Treasury accordingly.

The amount of assessed property in the county this year is \$4,325,540. The Commissioners will at their next meeting, appoint a collector of the State tax, and would have done ere this, but there was no applicants until now.

The income assessment amounts to \$15,950—2½ per cent. will be levied on this amount, and will also be placed in the hands of a collector at an early period.

This I believe answers your letter. If any further information is wanting, it will be cheerfully given.

Respectfully,

WM. FORD, *Clerk.*

SNOW HILL, (*Wor. Co.*) *November 26, 1842.*

Dear sir,—Your letter addressed to the Commissioners of Worcester county, was handed to me during the last week to answer, and our court, then being in session, I was unable to reply, from a press of business. I now hasten to reply.

An assessor was appointed by the Commissioners of Worcester county, under the income tax law of last session, who proceeded according to the instructions of the Treasurer of the Western Shore. He has completed the assessment, and made his return into this (Clerk's) office. The assessment amounts to eleven thousand, seven hundred and twenty-five dollars. According to his understanding of the Treasurer, he has assessed only officers and professional men with but two exceptions—an overseer of a furnace and a teacher in an academy. For the want of a collector, none of this tax, nor the direct tax under the act of 1840, has been collected. The Commissioners, as soon as the assessment under the latter named act was completed, appointed a collector who refused to serve. Repeated appointments since have been