

in addition to those dwelt upon by the commissioners, in favour of such a measure. The inspection of Tobacco in the city of Baltimore is conducted and carried on at present, at three ware-houses owned by the state, two of them situated on Dugans and O'donnell's wharfs, the other at the head of the basin, commonly known by Sheppard's ware-house; to this latter house is carried all the land borne or wagon tobacco, as also some water borne for inspection. The only objection or reason entitled to any weight, that your committee have heard urged against the admitted and manifest advantages that would result to the tobacco growing interest of the state, by adopting the measure of concentration, is, that it is apprehended there would not be sufficient and convenient room at Dugans and O'Donnells, the point at which it is intended and recommended the concentration should take place, for wagons carrying tobacco to those ware-houses, to go, unload and return without inconvenience and delay, owing to the width of the wharf and the number of carts and drays daily passing upon it; even this objection your committee believe to be without just foundation, and more imaginary and fancied than real—the wharf on Frederick street dock, which leads to one side of the ware-house, your committee learn, is 50 feet wide from the buildings to the edge of the dock, and so on the other side leading to the ware-house; this, your committee think would afford space enough for wagons and drays to pass each other without inconvenience. Moreover, the wagons will go down to the ware-houses on one side, and cross to the other by a street or pass way 40 feet wide, discharging their loads as they pass the end of the ware-house, and return on the other side, or they have the option of going round the ware-house and returning on either side; with this room and the privileges here stated, your committee are unable to foresee the inconvenience and delay apprehended to those who may carry their tobacco to the ware-houses in wagons.

The reasons in favour of concentrating the inspection houses, are plain and strong, and need only to be stated to the house, to be understood and applied by it. In the first place, by having all the houses together, and all the inspectors and hands at one place, and carrying on the entire operation of inspecting there, would produce an annual saving in the expenses of hands, &c. of two to three thousand dollars, even if the present number of inspectors were deemed necessary and continued, but which is by no means certain, for many are of opinion, that two inspectors in that case