

ner, Coleman, Neilson, Robson, Hooper, Israel Boswell, Davis, of Balt. city, Waltemeyer, Feig, Bixler, Pitts, Aydelott, Gordy, Nelson, Whiteford, Wilson, Spicer, McCulley, Bruce, McCulloh, Devecon, Neale, Criswell, Dawson, Horsey, Hammond—54.

Mr. Ford, from Select Committee (the rules being suspended), reported favorably the bill entitled, an Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Wesley Chapel Episcopal Methodist Church at Reistertown, Baltimore county,

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Hammond, from Select Committee on Hay Scales, (the rules being considered as further suspended), made the following report:

To the Honorable,

The House of Delegates:

The Committee to whom was referred numerous petitions of hay growers asking for more convenient facilities for weighing the hay brought to the Baltimore market, beg leave to report that they visited the western and northern part of the city and examined the means and distances by which the western scales are approached from the various roads leading into that part of it, as well as the positions which might be chosen for more convenient accommodations. And they that find from the entrance of the Calverton, Franklin and Frederick roads into the city the present hay scales are located from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to two miles, over a very crooked and for the most part unfrequented way, rendering it difficult for a stranger to the suburbs of the town to find his way to them.

From the Washington road they are at a much longer distance. No hay can be sold in Baltimore unless it has been weighed at the State scales, and the traverse of a way so long and unknown, to reach the scales, and the necessary return to get the wagon weighed, and the return of the seller again from remote points of the city, to be paid before he can leave for his home, renders such long distances a serious matter to the farmer, especially as there are no proper accommodations in town for keeping loads of hay during the night. More convenient scales to the Calverton, Franklin, Frederick and Washington roads are deemed a sheer act of necessity to the large and rapidly increasing hay-growing interest.

The Committee are of opinion, after consulting with the present weighers of hay at the western scales, that if the State shall receive for its share of the charges for weighing one-fourth instead of one-third of the receipts from the scales the present as well as the new scales can be supported and the persons in charge be handsomely remunerated.