

Starrett and one hundred and twenty-five other citizens of Cecil county, praying the passage of a law, protecting the fisheries in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributary streams;

Which was read and referred to the delegations of Cecil, Harford and Kent counties, and Baltimore city.

Mr. Stansbury, of Baltimore city, presented the petition of Margaret Jones, (widow of William Jones,) praying for a pension;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims.

Mr. Ghislin presented the report of the clerk of Prince George's county court, relative to the attendance of the judges;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Boteler presented the petition of James Chambers, (Burgess,) and David Gilbert, (assistant Burgess,) and other officers of the corporation of Boonsborough, in Washington county, asking an extension of bounds of said Corporation;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Corporations.

Mr. Potter presented the petition of the citizens of Greensborough, in Caroline county, praying for a supplement to the act relative to the bailiffs jurisdiction in that town;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice.

On motion of Mr. Buckey,

Ordered, That the committee on Ways and Means, inquire into the expediency of taxing ten pin Alleys.

Mr. Poultney asked the following leave,

Leave to bring in a bill to allow the direct tax payers of the State of Maryland, to absolve themselves from the direct taxation which attaches to ground lots or lands and the improvements thereon, upon the payment of their portion of the principal of the State debt;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Poultney, Chapman, Calvert, Carroll, Reeder, Levering and Nail.

On motion of Mr. Franklin,

Leave was granted Messrs. Franklin, Reeder, Stansbury, of Baltimore city, Buckey and Weber, to bring in a bill to alter and amend the Constitution as to the mode of effecting an alteration or amendment thereof for the future.

On motion of Mr. Kilgour,

Leave was granted Messrs. Kilgour, Waters, of Montgomery, Griffith and Trundle, to bring in a bill to authorise Henry Harding, administrator of Thomas F. W. Vinson, late sheriff and collector, of Montgomery county, to complete his collections.

On motion of Mr. Hollyday,

Ordered, That the report of the Treasurer with the statement accompanying it, giving the names of the several persons indebted to the State, and the sums due from each, be referred to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, with instructions