

Hammond	Sprigg	Thawley
Dalrymple	Tuck	Giles
Matthews	Maccubbin	Mason
Bowling	Bowie	Gaither
Bruce	Welch, of A.	Dade
Martin	Spencer	Newman
Cottman	Bravard	Parke
Winder	Selby	Hook—42.
NEGATIVE.		
Messrs. Poultney	Wilmer	Seidenstricker
Welsh, of B.	Hope	Gallagher
Risteau	Polk	Byer
Stansbury	Le Grand	Berry
Long	Graves	Bramwell—16
Foard		

So the order was adopted.

Mr. Le Grand moved, on the part of his colleagues, that their reasons might be entered on the journal why they voted against the reference, which was accordingly ordered:

The undersigned wish it distinctly understood, and so to be recorded on the journal, that their vote given on the final adoption of the foregoing order with its amendments, is not intended to question the right of petition, nor to close the door of the committee, to any witness who may be cognizant of facts in connection with the projected investigation. Their objections rest upon the ground that in their opinion the proposed reference is calculated to embarrass the legitimate proceedings of the committee, and to raise an issue not contemplated by the original organization of the committee.

JOHN JAMES GRAVES,
JOHN C. LE GRAND,
JOHN B. SEIDENSTRICKER,
FRANCIS GALLAGHER.

Mr. Giles presented the petition of Wm. P. Steuart for the passage of an act to confirm the proceedings of commissioners therein mentioned;

Read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Risteau presented the petition of Rachel Ann Merrill praying a divorce from her husband John A. Merrill.

Mr. Giles presented the petition of Richard Gold, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be divorced from his wife Margaret Gold; Severally read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Gallagher presented the memorial of the Western Beneficial Society, praying for an act of incorporation;

Read and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Biser presented the petition of 100 citizens of Frederick county, praying the passage of an act to authorize the Levy Court of said county to levy the sum of \$1,500 for the erection of a