

THURSDAY, January 27, 1870.

The House met.

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Latrobe, (Speaker,) Loker, Martin, Wilmer, Kilbourn, Baldwin, of Anne Arundel, Wells, Owings, Duke, Mitchell, Chapman, Cameron, Shipley, Gatch, Choate, Turner, Hammond, Hardcastle, of Talbot, Brattan, Lankford, Harrington, Woolford, Meekins, Touchstone, Owens, Richards, Biddle, Marbury, Wootton, Duvall, Thomas, of Queen Anne's, Brown, Purnell, Thomas, of Frederick, Bowlus, McCreery, Ritter, White, Ady, Baldwin, of Harford, Streett, Hopkins, Hardcastle, of Caroline, Garey, Sanner, Hamilton, Cooper, Morse, Blake, Webb, Wiley, McLane, Colton, Kirk, Collins, Ehlen, Gardner, Markland, Marshall, Hoblitzell, Neill, Welty, Murdock, Sword, Seibert, Hilton, Watkins, Kean, Wilson, of Allegany, Standish, Myers, Percy, Shower, Jordan, Winters, Crouse, Merrick, Gordy—78.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Biddle presented the petition of E. W. Lockwood and 46 others, asking for a hog law in the first district of Cecil county.

Which was read and referred to the Cecil delegation.

Also,

The petition of A. P. Barwick and others, asking an extension of time in the collection of taxes in the second election district of Cecil county.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Mitchell presented the petition of Sally Moore, widow of James Moore, a soldier of the war of 1812, asking for a pension.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Webb presented a petition from P. P. Pendleton and 100 members of the Corn Exchange, praying for additional legislation to protect the Wild Fowl of the State.

Which was read and referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Mr. Purnell presented the petition of S. S. Queen, John T. B. McMasters and others, asking the imposition of a tax