

THURSDAY, Feb. 1, 1900.

The House met at 12½ M., and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Geo. S. Bell.

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Speaker, King, Garner, Kendall, Norris, of Kent; Ditty, Feldmeyer, Simmons, Gibson, Walbach, of G., Lancaster, Stewart, Truitt, of Balto. co.; Mann, Sandman, Jeffers, Collins, Dudley, of Talbot; Willis, Ward, Dryden, Disharoon, Pattison, Linthicum, Mackie, Keys, Kimble, Merrick, Perkins, Contee, Dudley, of Queen Anne's; Norman, Smith, Anderson, of Worcester; Buckey, Waters, Lakin, Brown, of Frederick; Mitchell, Hopkins, Foster, Satterfield, Lednum, Scrimger, Gately, Mencke, Bramble, Sanford, Knott, Latrobe, Curtis, Duncan, Martenet, Cover, Real, Johnson, Long, Staley, Wolfinger, Clark, Deets, Hutton, Frenzel, Radcliffe, Close, Graeff, Anderson, of Carroll; Hoffacker, Walsh, Wolfe, Waller, Roberts, Wilson, Finzel.—74.

The Journal of January 31st was read and approved.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER PAPERS.

The Speaker submitted the Report of State Tax Commissioner of Maryland to the General Assembly.

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

Mr. Simmons presented the petition of Wm. T. Edmunds and 150 other citizens of Calvert county, asking for a law to regulate the catching of fish and oysters in the Patuxent river.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Chesapeake Bay and Its Tributaries.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of Mr. G. W. Golds-