

lai, Parsons, Phelps, Pitts, Poole, Robson, Rouzer, Shipley, Smith, Spicer, Steiner, Stevens, Thomas, Thomson, Tobey, Turner, Waltemeyer, Wampler, Welch, Whiteford, Wittaker, Williams, Wilson—71.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Mr. Gilpin, of Allegany county, appeared in the House and was qualified by the Speaker.

The Speaker announced the following committees in accordance with orders adopted and leaves to report bills granted yesterday.

*Committee on Rules*—Messrs. Stevens, Ford, Williams, Carmichael and Buhrman.

*Committee on the leave offered by Mr. Thomas*—Messrs. Thomas, Evans, Dennis, Hammond, Lankford, Robson, Neilson, Clark and Nelson.

Also, the following additional Officers :

George W. Murdoch, Keeper of the Hall of the House of Delegates and Committee Rooms; Caleb Stewart, Keeper of the Water Closets.

Mr. Phelps called attention to the fact that the order electing the officers of the House was passed yesterday before the members were qualified, and moved the re-consideration of that order;

Decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Magruder moved to strike out the name of "Albert" Tolson and insert "Thomas S." Tolson ;

Decided in the affirmative.

The order as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Ford presented a petition from John W. Pitcock, praying that his name be changed to John W. Baker ;

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore County Delegation.

On motion of Mr. Morgan,

Ordered, That his Excellency, the Governor, be respectfully requested to have the National Flag displayed from the State House dome daily, at the hour of the opening of the Houses, during the session of the General Assembly, and lowered when the Houses adjourn.

Mr. Aydelotte submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the Speaker appoint a committee of seven members of this House to inquire into and determine what Legislation, (if any,) is necessary for the improvement of the present School Laws of this State, and report by bill or otherwise ;