

Which were read and severally referred to Caroline and Queen Anne's delegations.

Mr. McCulloh presented the memorial of one hundred and seventy-six citizens of Frostburg, Allegany county, praying the Legislature to pass a law to prevent the sale of any intoxicating liquors within four miles of said town;

Which was read and referred to Allegany delegation.

On motion of Mr. Neilson,

Ordered, that the petitions presented to this House for and against the running of the City Passenger Railway Cars on Sunday be transferred to the Senate;

On motion of Mr. Burche,

Ordered, that while this House recognizes the right of petition by the citizens of the State, no delegation of citizens will hereafter be received on this floor for the purpose of presenting petitions, memorials or other papers, and addressing the House in relation to same;

On motion of Mr. Feig,

Ordered, that Mr. Lankford be excused from attending this House on to-morrow, for the purpose of attending to pressing business;

On motion of Mr. Criswell,

Ordered, that it be entered on the Journal that Mr. Wampler member from Carroll is absent from his seat on account of sickness;

The Private Secretary of the Executive, Peter Leary, Esq., delivered the following:

STATE OF MARYLAND,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

ANNAPOLIS, March 1st, 1867.

To the Senate and House of Delegates:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of an official communication from the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Delegates, informing me that the General Assembly of Maryland had elected me a Senator of the United States for the term of six years from the 4th of March, 1867.

This honor has been conferred upon me, as is well known to the members of the Legislature and my friends throughout the State, without any agency or solicitation on my part.

It had been my purpose, in response to the action of your Honorable Body and what was then the wish of the people of the State, to have accepted the high trust; and I had so