WEDNESDAY, January 22, 1868.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Leech.

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Stewart, (Speaker,) Loker, Boyer, Beck, Hammond, Iglehart, Deale, Bond, of Calvert, Dalrymple, Mitchell, Chapman, Nicolai, Slingluff, Poteet, Holmes, Biddison, Rose, Lowe, Horsey, Percy. Stewart, of Dorchester, Davis, of Cecil, Touchstone, Richards, Mearns, Keech, Sudler, Legg, Holloway, Albaugh, Dutrow, Wenner, Bowlus, Maynard, Byers, Silver, Nelson, Vandiver, Brown, Moore, Hubbard, Wentz, Robb, Morse, Blake, Latrobe, Pentland, Smith, of Baltimore city, Bond, of Baltimore city, Colton, Chaisty, McElroy, Harig, Markland, Marshall, Conway, Syester, Herbert, Rohrer, Seibert, Riggs, Offutt, Conley, McCulloh, Kean, Devecmon, Trimble, Hall, Jordan, Worthington, Clark, Jones, Fooks, Hopkins—74.

The Speaker laid before the House the communication of the Judges of the 4th judicial circuit, in relation to the duties imposed upon them by the 9th section of Article 4 of the Constitution.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Beck presented the petition of Josiah Ringgold, Samuel Beck, and 70 other citizens of Kent county, asking that trustees may be introduced in the school system to be adopted.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Edu-

cation.

Mr. Colton presented the memorial of Alfred D. Miller, for the return of cost paid the late Clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore city.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Touchstone presented the petition of the President and Trustees of the West Nottingham Academy, in Cecil county, praying the restoration to that institution the annuity of \$500 which was taken from said institution by the Legislature of 1864.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Corbin presented the petition of Edward A. Jones, asking compensation for printing Acts of Assembly, &c.
Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.