

Mr. Smith presented the petition of the President and Trustees of the Baltimore Orphans' Asylum.

Which was referred to the Committee on Beneficiary Institutions.

Mr. Maddox presented the petition of N. Conrad, and other citizens of St. Mary's county.

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

The President presented the following :

GREENWOOD, February 18, 1868.

*Hon. Barnes Compton,*

*President of the Senate of Maryland :*

Please have it entered on the Journal that Mr. Brewer, of Montgomery county, is detained from his seat by sickness.

Very respectfully,

N. BREWER.

Mr. Welch presented the petition of citizens of Kent county, opposing the repeal of the Funeral Law.

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion by Mr. Hyland,

Leave was granted to the Senators from Somerset, Dorchester and Wicomico, to report a bill to repeal the Act of 1865, chapter 60, relating to retailers, and to re-enact sections 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147 and 148 of the Code of Public Local Laws for Somerset county.

On motion by Mr. Maddox,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to introduce a bill to amend Article 79 of the Public General Laws, title Releases and Receipts, by adding a new section thereto.

On motion by Mr. Smith,

Leave was granted to the Senators from Dorchester, Somerset and Caroline, to introduce a bill to authorize the County Commissioners of Dorchester county to levy a sum to pay the executors of Thomas Woolford, deceased, taxes paid in error by the said Woolford.

Mr. Hammond presented the petition of Samuel Hambleton, G. H. Skinner, and other citizens of Talbot county, opposing the repeal of the Funeral Law.

Which was referred to the Committee on Corporations.

On motion by Mr. Clarke,