

WEDNESDAY, February 26, 1868.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Stewart, (Speaker,) Loker, Coad, Boyer, Hammond, Iglehart, Deale, Bond, of Calvert, Dalrymple, Mitchell, Chapman, Nicolai, Montague, Poteet, Holmes, Biddison, Rose, Lowe, Corbin, Horsey, Percy, Stewart, of Dorchester, Johnson, Davis, of Cecil, Touchstone, Richards, Mearns, Keech, Guy, Williams, Sudler, Holloway, Smith, of Worcester, Albaugh, Dutrow, Wenner, Bowlus, Maynard, Byers, Silver, Nelson, Vandiver, Brown, Hubbard, Wentz, Robb, Blake, Latrobe, Pentland, Smith, of Baltimore city, Bond, of Baltimore city, Colton, Mullin, Chaisty, McElroy, Harig, Markland, Marshall, Conway, Syester, Coudy, Herbert, Rohrer, Seibert, Riggs, Offutt, Conley, McCulloh, Kean, Devecmon, Trimble, Hall, Davis, of Carroll, Jordan, Harden, Clark, Jones, Fooks, Hopkins—79.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Hon. Philip F. Thomas, covering the testimony and the report of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate of the United States, on his application to be admitted as a member of the Senate,

With accompanying papers.

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Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Robb presented the petition of Alex. Brown & Sons in regard to taxes overpaid.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of R. C. Johnson, Wm. E. Cacy, and 35 other citizens of Kent county against the repeal of the Funeral Law.

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

Mr. Syester presented the petition of Philip Wingert and others of Washington county, praying an alteration and change of the law of distress and of ejecting tenants holding over.

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