

WEDNESDAY, March 18, 1868.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Stewart, (Speaker,) Loker, Coad, Boyer, Beck, Hammond, Iglehart, Deale, Bond, of Calvert, Dalrymple, Mitchell, Chapman, Nicolai, Slingluff, Montague, Holmes, Biddison, Rose, Lowe, Corbin, Percy, Stewart, of Dorchester, Davis, of Cecil, Touchstone, Richards, Williams, Sudler, Legg, Holloway, Smith, of Worcester, Wenner, Maynard, Silver, Nelson, Vandiver, Brown, Hubbard, Wentz, Robb, Morse, Blake, Latrobe, Smith, of Baltimore city, Mullin, Chaisty, McElroy, Harig, Markland, Marshall, Conway, Rohrer, Seibert, Riggs, Offutt, Conley, McCulloh, Kean, Devecmon, Trimble, Hall, Davis, of Carroll, Jordan, Harden, Clark, Fooks—65.

Mr. Hubbard presented a petition from M. J. Clark and 75 other citizens, for the passage of a law giving the county surveyor of Caroline county the right to take acknowledgments of deeds.

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

Mr. Vandiver presented a petition from John Wareham, J. L. Williams, and 40 others, against any amendment to the boom charter.

Which was read and referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Touchstone presented the petition of Robert E. Oldham and 51 other citizens of the 5th, 6th and 9th Election Districts of Cecil county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the alteration of the boundary lines of the 5th, 6th and 9th Election Districts in Cecil county.

Which was read and referred to the Cecil county delegation.

Mr. Blake submitted a petition from John Garret and 34 others, asking for two additional magistrates for the city of Baltimore, who understand the Irish language.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore city delegation.

Mr. Mullin submitted the following order :

Ordered, That Mr. Colton and Mr. Bond, of Baltimore city, have leave of absence for this day.

Which was adopted.