the jury, upon the ratification of inquisitions for condemning lands.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. Hoblitzell,

At  $2\frac{3}{4}$  o'clock, P. M., the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

## THURSDAY, March 10, 1870.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Latrobe, (Speaker,) Loker, Martin, Beck, Wilmer, Kilbourn, Baldwin, of Anne Arundel, Owings, Duke, Mitchell, Chapman, Carroll, Cameron, Shipley, Gatch, Choate, Turner, Hammond, Hardcastle, of Talbot, Brattan, Lankford, Harrington, Woolford Meekins, Touchstone, Owens, Richards, Biddle, Wootton, Thomas of Queen Anne's, Brown, Dennis, Purnell, Thomas, of Frederick, Bowlus, McCreery, Ritter, White, Baldwin, of Harford, Streett, Hopkins, Hardcastle, of Caroline, Garey, Sanner, Hamilton, Cooper, Morse, Blake, Wilson, of Baltimore city, Wiley, McLane, Colton, Kirk, Collins, Ehlen, Gardner, Markland, Marshall, Hoblitzell, Welty, Murdock, Sword, Seibert, Hilton, Veitch, Watkins, Kean, Wilson, of Allegany, Standish, Myers, Percy, Shower, Jordan, Winters, Crouse, Gorman, Crawford, Gordy—79.

Mr. Thomas, of Queen Anne's, presented the petition of C. W. Glanding, A. W. E. Sudler and others, for an Act incorporating Sudlersville, in Queen Anne's county.

Which was read and referred to the Queen Anne's delegation and Mr. Hardcastle, of Caroline.

Mr. Cooper presented the petition of H. S. Zimmerman and 41 others, for compensation for furnishing substitutes.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Militia.

Mr. Hammond presented the petition of Chas. H. Stewart and 67 citizens of Talbot county, praying exemption from the operation of the law taxing dogs.