one hundred and forty-nine other citizens, asking the abolishment of coopering in the Penitentiary.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. Rowe presented the petition of Samuel Maxwell, Thomas Fraley and seventy-five others, asking a change in the School Law, to have the Commissioners and Trustees of Public Schools elected by the people.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Whitson presented the petition of George Freaner, John Welty, H. A. McComas, S. E. Mittag and forty-two other citizens of Washington county, praying for an Act to abolish or change the present law, regarding the selling of liquors to minors.

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

Mr. Ardinger presented the petition of David Zellers, Joseph B. Loose, J. H. Dorsey, Henry M. Zellers and six hundred and eighty-one others, praying the passage of a general law, to enable the qualified voters of any ward, within the State, to determine, by ballot, whether drinking houses may or may not be licensed within such districts under existing law, and in all districts voting against such license to prohibit the sale of such drinks, except for medical or mechanical purposes, under severe penalty.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Polk presented the petition of Susan Little, of Carroll county, and others, asking for pay for armory rent.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Militia.

Mr. Phillips presented the petition of fifty-nine citizens of Frederick county, protesting against the passage of a law that will remove the control of the Almshouse from the board of County Commissioners of said county.

Which was read, and referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Mr. Miller presented the petition of Alfred Hobbs, Moses Douty and eighty other citizens of New Market and Liberty Districts, in Frederick county, asking for a new Election District in said county.

Which was read, and referred to the Frederick delegation