

THURSDAY, January 25, 1872.

The House met, and

Was opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Bull.

Present at the call of the roll, the following members:

Messrs. Gorman, (Speaker,) Colton, of St. Mary's, Dunbar, Wilmer, Hurtt, Wells, Duvall, Henkle, Bond, Sparrow, Stone, Shipley, Turner, Foard, of Balt. co., Litzinger, Spencer, Banks, Butler, Goldsborough, Roach, Waller, Dougherty, Smith, Vickers, Radcliffe, Groome, Mearns, Penington, Scott, Bowie, Eareckson, Ford, of Q. A., Franklin, Parker, Phillips, Rowe, Delaplane, Miller, Routzahn, Riley, Baldwin, Streett, McCosker, Hamilton, T. H., Cooper, Hamilton, C. R., Jamart, Staylor, Stewart, Travers, Clark, of Balt. city, Colton, of Balt. city, Kirk, Chaisty, Harig, Feig, McColgan, Markland, Griswold, Young, of Wash. co., Ardinger, Newcomer, Whitson, Hilton, Riggs, Clark, of Mont., Porter, Coles, Young, of Alle., Robinette, Steele, Lamotte, L. A. J., Polk, Lamotte, H. H., Linthicum, Johnson, Langrell—77.

Mr. Baldwin presented the petition of L. R. Martin and forty-eight other citizens of Harford county, praying the passage of a law requiring the Baltimore and Harford Turnpike Company to place their road in a good and safe condition.

Also,

The petition of Elisha Davis and thirty other citizens of Harford and Baltimore counties, praying the passage of a law to compel the Baltimore and Harford Turnpike Company to place their road in a good and safe condition.

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

Mr. Langrell presented the petition of J. C. Bell, publisher of the *Eastern Shoreman*, of Wicomico county, for compensation for publishing defaulters, as per order of the Comptroller.

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

Mr. Staylor presented the petition of T. Hanson Belt, a soldier of the war of 1812, asking for a pension.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.