

TUESDAY, March 5, 1872.

The Senate met.

Prayer by Rev. Father Freitag.

Present at roll call the following Senators :

Messrs. President, Blake, Compton, Carroll, Denson, Downs, Earle, Fields, Henry, Jump, Longwell, Miller, Stephenson, Spates, Sellman, Spencer, Steiner, Wilson—18.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Denson presented the petition of Ammon Cate, Burns & Sloan, and twenty-seven others, wholesale lumber dealers, praying that no alteration be made in the inspection law, so far as the same relates to lumber.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Steiner presented the petition of Benjamin Pitts, and one hundred and fifty-three other colored citizens of Maryland, praying for the establishment and maintenance of separate schools for the education of their children.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion by Mr. Denson,

Leave was granted to Messrs. Denson, Blake and Longwell, to introduce a bill, to repeal section 872, Article IV., of the Public Local Laws, relating to the City of Baltimore, and to re-enact the same in an amended form.

On motion by Mr. Downs,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Militia to introduce a bill, to repeal section 18, of Article LXIII., of Public General Laws of 1868, title "Military," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

Mr. Sellman, from a Select Committee, to which had been referred

The House bill, entitled an Act to repeal sections 54 and 64, of Article XVI., of the Public Local Laws of Montgomery county, relating to the town of Rockville, and to re-enact the same with amendments,

Reported favorably thereon, and

Said bill was read the second time.