

The petition of James J. Jones, and one hundred and seventeen other citizens, asking the abolishment of cooperating in the Penitentiary.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Manufactures.

Mr. Turner presented the petition of Louisa Marr, widow of William, to be placed upon the pension rolls.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Young, of Allegany, presented the petition of Joseph A. Myers and others, praying for the passage of an Act to allow the voters of each Election District to decide whether intoxicating liquors shall be sold in said district.

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

Mr. Stone submitted the following order :

Ordered, That the 49th rule of this House be rescinded, and the following rule adopted in lieu thereof :

Rule XLIX.—The House shall be resolved into a Standing Committee of the Whole, on the condition of the State, if required by a majority of the members present, which Committee may originate bills or resolutions, bills on their third reading, and all other matters on their second reading shall, if required by a majority of the members present, be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered further, That the 22nd rule shall be rescinded, and the following rule adopted in its stead.

Rule XXII.—The previous question shall be in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?" It may be called for on any question, the whole or any section of a bill, and when demanded by a majority of the members present, it shall preclude all further amendment or debate on the question, bill or section on which it has been demanded.

Ordered further, That the words, "And no motion for reconsideration shall be postponed or laid on the table," shall be stricken from the 39th rule.

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Stone,

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Hurtt submitted the following order :

Ordered, That Mr. Wilmer have leave of absence until Wednesday next.