

FRIDAY, March 15, 1872.

The House met,

And was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Highley, Chaplain.

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, Chapman, Stone, Shipley, Turner, Foard, of B. Co., Litzinger, Spencer, Banks, Butler, Goldsborough, Roach, Waller, Dougherty, Smith, Radcliffe, Groome, Mearns, Penington, Scott, Sasscer, Eareckson, Ford, of Q. A., Franklin, Parker, Phillips, Rowe, Delaplane, Miller, Riley, Baldwin, Streett, Hardcastle, Deweese, McCosker, Hamilton, T. H., Cooper, Hamilton, C. R., Jamart, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, Travers, Clark, of B. City, Colton, of B. City, Kirk, Chaisty, Harig, Feig, McColgan, Markland, Griswold, Young, of Wash., Newcomer, Whitson, Hilton, Riggs, Clark, of Mont., Porter, Coles, Young, of Alle., Robinette, Steele, Lamotte, L. A. J. Lamotte, H. H., Linthicum, Johnson, Langrell—77.

Mr. Riley presented the petition of Dr. G. Roberts, and nineteen other citizens of Harford county, asking for a pension for Ellen Robinson.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Wilmer presented the petition of J. A. Usilton, and forty-nine other citizens of Chestertown, against any change in the manner of selecting Commissioners for said town.

Which was read and referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Wilmer, Hurtt, and Hardcastle.

Mr. Riggs presented the petition of Asenith Burdett and Eliza Mobley, asking the repeal of the law taxing collateral inheritances.

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

Mr. Waller presented the petition of Wm. I. Webster, and one hundred and eighty other citizens of Somerset county, praying the passage of a law, prohibiting the catching of oysters with tongs or nippers, during the months of June, July and August, in said county.