

FRIDAY, January 23rd, 1874.

The House met, Mr. Watkins in the Chair, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Henderson.

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

Messrs. Colton, Henkle, Robinson, Nutwell, Turner, of Calvert, Lancaster, Hawkins, Keech, Buchanan, Matthews, Fowler, Merryman, Seth, Valliant, Sudler, Gordy, Johnson, Hodson, Groome, Turner, of Cecil, Mackey, Etchison, Latchford, Robey, Thompson, Kemp, Pruitt, Koons, Miller, Lamar, Nicodemus, Annan, Grafton, Lee, Riley, Dawson, Williams, McCosker, T. H. Hamilton, Cooper, C. R. Hamilton, McWilliams, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, of Baltimore City, McAleese, Gill, Loane, Greenfield, McColgan, Harig, Joyce, Groh, Fenton, Berry, Freaner, Grimes, Stake, Clark, Watkins, Fletchall, Wier, Wack, Park, Brace, Vanderford, Galt, Brown, Maclin, Stewart, of Howard, Leonard, Bedsworth, West—66.

Mr. McColgan presented the petitions of John Piet, Eliza Hepley and Sally Brannan, for a pension.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Gill presented the petitions of Eliza H. Jory, Mary Kans and Margaret Shipley, for a pension.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. McCosker presented the petitions of Francis Lamden, Margaret Parrish, and Maria Bowen, for a pension.

Which were severally read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Brace submitted the following order:

Ordered, That Mr. Bird, of Calvert county, be excused from attendance until Wednesday next, on account of urgent business.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Seth submitted the following order:

Ordered, That it be entered upon the Journal of this House, that Mr. Gill, of Baltimore City, was prevented from taking his seat in this House yesterday, by important business.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wack submitted the following order: