

TUESDAY, February 17th, 1874.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Father Oberley.

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

Messrs. Hines, (Speaker,) Bond, Colton, Merritt, Henkle, Robinson, Nutwell, Bird, Turner, of Calvert, Lancaster, Hawkins, Keech, Buchanan, Merryman, Seth, Valliant, Sudler, Coulbourn, Duer, Gordy, Johnson, Hodson, Turner, of Cecil, Latchford, Robey, Thompson, Kemp, Pruitt, Merrill, Miller, Lamar, Nicodemus, Annan, Lee, Riley, Dawson, Williams, McCosker, T. H. Hamilton, Cooper, C. R. Hamilton, McWilliams, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, of Baltimore city, McAleese, Gill, Hart, Loane, Greenfield, McColgan, Harig, Joyce, Groh, Fenton, Berry, Freamer, Grimes, Stake, Clark, Watkins, Fletchall, Wier, Wack, Park, Brace, Waters, Vanderford, Galt, Brown, Maclin, Stewart, of Howard, Leonard, Bedsworth, West, Glotfelty—76.

The Speaker laid before the House the Report of Isaac F. Vanarsdale, Esq., Clerk to the County Commissioners of Cecil county, with account for the years 1872 and '73, presented by Clinton McCullough, Esq., State's Attorney for said county, in response to an order of the House.

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

Mr. Brace moved that the rules be suspended, and that the House proceed to the consideration of House bills entitled to a third reading.

Decided in the negativè.

Mr. Buchanan presented the petition of Benjamin Arthur and fifteen other citizens of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd districts of Baltimore county, asking the passage of a law prohibiting stock from running at large.

Also,

The petition of William H. Harker and other citizens of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd districts of Baltimore county, asking the passage of a law prohibiting stock from running at large.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore county delegation.

Mr. Annan presented the petition of Hannah Stokes, to be placed on the pension rolls instead of her husband, lately deceased.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.