

THURSDAY, February 19th, 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. Bond, Colton, Merritt, Henkle, Robinson, Nutwell, Bird, Turner, of Calvert, Lancaster, Hawkins, Keech, Buchanan, Matthews, Merryman, Turner, of Baltimore county, Seth, Valliant, Sudler, Gordy, Johnson, Hodson, Mackey, Etchison, Latchford, Kemp, Pruitt, Merrill, Miller, Lamar, Nicodemus, Annan, Lee, Dawson, McCosker, T. H. Hamilton, Cooper, C. R. Hamilton, McWilliams, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, of Baltimore city, McAleese, Gill, Hart, Loane, Greenfield, Harig, Joyce, Groh, Fenton, Berry, Freaner, Stake, Clark, Watkins, Fletchall, Wack, Park, Brace, Waters, Vanderford, Galt, Brown, Maclin, Stewart, of Howard, Leonard, Bedsworth, Glotfelty—70.

Mr. McAleese presented the petition of two thousand six hundred and fifty-three citizens of Baltimore, opposed to the passage of a Local Option Law.

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

Mr. Etchison presented the petition of John T. Clements and twenty-three other citizens of Piscataway District, Prince George's county, praying a division of their district, and that they be thus transferred to Charles county, as citizens thereof.

Which was read and referred to the Prince George's and Charles delegations.

Mr. Matthews presented the petition of A. S. Crosby, Thomas R. Hand and others, asking the passage of a Dog Law.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Brace presented the petition of Joseph Dille and twenty-six other property holders of Cumberland, against the passage of the Senate City Charter bill.

Also,

The petition of George Henderson, Jr., J. Frank Seiss, William O. Sprigg, Frederick Minke and sixty other property holders of Cumberland, against the passage of the Senate City Charter bill.

Which were severally read and referred to the Allegany delegation.