WEDNESDAY, March 11th, 1874.

The Senate met.

Prayer by Rev. W. H. D. Harper.

Present the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Aydelott, Blake, Brewer, Brattan, Crawford, Claggett, Davis, Denson, Earle, Fields, Getty, Knight, Longwell, Lloyd, Mudd, McCulloh, Phelps, Stevens, Steiner, Spencer, Williams, Walsh—23.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Blake presented the petitions of Prudence Patterson. aged seventy-two years, asking to be restored to the pension roll; Ursula Binyon, aged sixty-six years, asking to be placed on the pension roll in place of her husband, now dead.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Knight presented the petition of forty-one citizens of cecil county, against the passage of a Local Option Law.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Mr. Brattan presented the petition of one hundred and twenty-one citizens of Somerset county, asking for a Fence Law.

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Brattan, Tuck and Steiner.

Mr. Mudd presented the petition of John E. Turner, John D. Bowling, Thomas Martin and one hundred and sixteen other citizens of Prince George's and Charles counties, praying a law to protect the fish of the Patuxent River, and the rights of citizens in and to the same.

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Mudd, Williams and Fields.

Mr. Walsh presented the petition of John Clayman and other citizens of Harford county, to extend the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace in said county.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.