of Somerset county, to provide a fund for the redemption of outstanding county bonds.

Which was read the first time and referred to Messrs. Brattan, Phelps and Crawford.

Also, returned

The Senate bill entitled an Act to declare the sanction of the General Assembly of Maryland, to the bequest of John H. Yingling, late of the city of Westminster, deceased, to the Trustees of the Methodist Protestant Church of the city of Westminster, Carroll county, State of Maryland.

Endorsed, "Passed by yeas and nays."

On motion by Mr. Brewer,

The Senate adjourned.

## FRIDAY, March 27th, 1874.

The Senate met at 10.30, A. M.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hedges.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Aydelott, Błake, Brewer, Brattan, Claggett, Denson, Earle, Fields, Knight, Longwell, Lloyd, Phelps, Stevens, Steiner, Spencer, Suit, Williams, Walsh—19.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Walsh,

The Committee on Finance was permitted to withdraw to the Committee Room, for the consideration of business before said Committee.

On motion by Mr. Phelps, it was

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal, that the Senate Bill, No. 205, imposing a tax on dogs, was ordered last night to be engrossed, in the absence of the Senator for Dorchester county, had he have been present, he would have moved to exempt his county from the operation of said Act.