

THURSDAY, February 4th, 1892.

The House met at 12 M., and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Nicols.

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Speaker, Combs, Garner, Strong, Wilson, Brashears, Donaldson, Sappington, of Anne Arundel, Ireland, Lane, Carrico, Maddox, Orrick, Cole, Elliott, Hamilton, Jr., Schlaffer, Collins, Wooters, Leonard, Green, Anderson, Sterling, Meredith, Smith, of Dorchester, Miles, Beeks, Grove, of Cecil, Bowie, of Prince George's, Hill, Bryan, Wallen, Godwin, Franklin, Wilkinson, Hayman, McSherry, Gaver, Grove, of Frederick, Bevard, Stearns, Deen, Johnson, Thompson, Fuld, Walz, Fitzgerald, Brennan, Fox, Carter, Field, Bowie, of Baltimore city, O'Conor, Gallagher, Sams, Sanders, Frincke, Carr, Cornthwaite, Joyce, Smith, of Washington, Fockler, Shafer, Laird, Griffith, Canby, Young, Hosken, Sr., Stottlemeyer, Haines, Sellman, Berret, Leeds, Tracey, Haslup, Ellegood, Laws, Moore, Bittinger, Michaels—79

Journal of the 3d read and approved.

#### PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER PAPERS.

Mr. Bryan presented a petition from Wm. B. Usilton and other newspaper proprietors, asking compensation for publishing the Governor's Proclamation announcing the adoption and rejection of certain Constitutional amendments.

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

Mr. Hill presented a petition from a sub-Alliance of the Farmers' Alliance of Maryland, urging the establishment of a Department of Agriculture.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Franklin presented a petition from Edward T. Whaley and 24 other persons of Worcester county, to permit the sale of liquor in School District No. 5, Election District No. 9, of said county.

Also,

Presented a petition from Z. W. Purnell and 37