THURSDAY, February 7th, 1878.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. J. H. Dashiell.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs. President, Combs, of Allegany, Cooper, Dennis, Ford, Franklin, Freeman, Garey, Gorman, Hepbron, Hill, Humphreys, Joyce, Lancaster, Lee, McLane, Miller, Newcomer, Peter, Steiner, Sulivane, Welfley, Wilson—23.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Hill presented the petition of sundry citizens of Prince George's County, with accompanying papers, praying that the name of Elizabeth Cross, a widow of a soldier of the war of 1812, be placed on the pension roll.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

Mr. Hill presented the certificates of Daniel R. Dyer, Inspector of Tobacco at State Tobacco Warehouse No. 1, in relation to tobacco damaged by the flood on Sunday, the 17th of September, 1876.

Which were read, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Gorman presented the petitions of H. O. Devries and C. W. Baldwin and other citizens of Howard County, requesting the passage of a law submitting to the voters of the State the question whether licenses shall be granted to sell intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Which were read, and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

On motion by Mr. Hepbron, it was

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Mr. Bannon is absent from his seat to-day on account of official business.

On motion by Mr. Newcomer,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to repeal Section 296, and sub-Section 1, of the Public Local Laws of Washington County, and to re-enact the same with amendments.