Which was read, and referred to Senators Stump, Dennis, Hill, Hepbron and Lee.

Mr. Cooper presented the petition of Thomas T. Sword, Hugh Roberts and 30 others, citizens of Baltimore City, against the passage of a Local Option Law.

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

On motion by Mr. Miller, it was

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it stand adjourned until 11 o'clock to morrow.

On motion by Mr. Sulivane,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to conform the Code of Public General Laws to the Constitution of the United States, by striking out the word "white" wherever the same occurs, in article thirteen of said Code, title "Bastardy and Fornication," and in all other articles thereof.

The Hon. R. C. Hollyday, Secretary of State, appeared and delivered a communication from the Executive, endorsed "Executive business."

On motion by Mr. Miller,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Agriculture to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to amend the Act of 1872, Chapter 244, entitled an Act to authorize the Governor to appoint weighers of grain, so as to make the weighing of grain optional with the owners thereof.

On motion by Mr. Stump,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceeding to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act to repeal Section 173, of Article 30 of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Crimes and Punishments," sub-title "Rogues and Vagabonds," and to re-enact the same with the addition of the word "Storehouse."

On motion by Mr. Humphreys,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Finance to introduce a bill to be entitled an Act for the relief of Jesse Davis, of Wicomico County.

Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, reported favorably,

Senate bill entitled an Act to repeal Section 44, of Article 24, of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled "Convey-