that your Honorable Body will not consider the early Provincial stores of Maryland unworthy of being added, in this way, to the natural stock.

{ Seal. }

In testimony of this, the Society directs its Secretaries to transmit the above to your Honorable Body, as its approving memmorial, voted at its annual meeting in Baltimore, on this 11th day of February, 1878.

E. A. DALRYMPLE,

Corresponding Secretary.

JOSEPH MERREFIELD,

Recording Secretary.

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

Mr. McLane presented the memorial from the wholesale liquor dealers of Baltimore to the General Assembly of Maryland.

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

Mr. Wilson presented the petition of 1,051 citizens of Calvert County, praying for the repeal of Chapter 306, of the Acts of 1876, commonly called the Local Option Law, and the substitution in lieu thereof, of a stringent License Law.

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

Mr. Steiner presented the 8th and 9th Annual Reports of the Maryland Institution, for the education of the Deaf and Dumb.

Which were read, and referred to the Committee on Edu ation.

Mr. Lancaster presented the petition of J. S. Warren, Jr., and 33 others, citizens of Charles County, praying for an Act to extend the time for the removal of the gates from the public roads in said county.

Which was read and referred to Senators Lancaster, Hill and Combs, of St. Mary's.

Mr. Stump presented the petition of Amos H. Hughes, and 20 others, citizens of Harford County, praying that the Public School Law may be so amended as to provide for the election of School Commissioners by the votes of the people.