WEDNESDAY, March 6th, 1878

Senate met at 12 M.

Prayer by the Rev. L. D. Travers.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs. Bannon, Combs, of Allegany, Combs, of St. Mary's Cooper, Dennis, Ford, Franklin, Freeman, Garey, Gorman, Hepbron, Hill, Joyce, Lancaster, Lee, McLane, Miller, New-comer, Peter, Steiner, Stump, Sulivane, Welfley, Wilson-24.

Proceedings of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Dennis submitted the following message:

BY THE SENATE,

March 6th, 1878.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message asking for the return of the House bill entitled an Act to protect fish in the waters of Somerset County, and herewith return the same.

By order,

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,

Secretary.

Which was read, and together with said bill sent to the House of Delegates.

Mr. Lee presented the memorial of the Trustees of the Western Maryland College, praying for a favorable consideration.

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

Mr. Combs, of Allegany, presented the petition of L. H. Fundenberg and 21 other physicians of Allegany County, in connection with the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, praying for the passage of the bill now pending before the Legislature in regard to confidential communications between patients and physicians.

Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Mr. Sulivane presented the petition of 87 citizens of Strait's District, Dorchester County, for a change of line