

On motion by Mr. Cooper,

Mr. Lee was elected President *pro tem*.

The proceedings of Friday were read and approved.

Mr. Steiner presented the petition of Richard H. Marshall, William J. Ross, A. D. O'Leary, J. D. Hane, Ezra Houck and 438 others, citizens of Frederick City, praying the passage of an Act to diminish the cost of the municipality of that city, by abolishing the Board of Common Council, and reducing the number of Judges and Clerks of Election and Registrars of Voters to one-half the number required by law.

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

Mr. Sulivane presented the petition of Isaac Pearce, of Queen Anne's County, for an Act to regulate the distribution of Isaac Pearce's (deceased) estate, in Kent County.

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

Mr. McLane presented the following memorial of the monthly meeting of the Society of Friends :

*To the Senate and House of Delegates*

*of the State of Maryland,*

*in General Assembly met :*

At Baltimore monthly meeting of the Society of Friends, held in their meeting-house, on Lombard St , third month, 7th, 1878.

The subject of the settlement of disputes between corporations and workmen, and masters and workmen, also the establishment of a Court of Arbitration for the settlement of questions or controversies arising between merchants, manufacturers, &c., was introduced by the reading of the proposed bills, looking to the enactment of laws providing for this object, now pending in the General Assembly of the State, and after a careful deliberation upon the subject, it was agreed as the united sense of the meeting, that the following Committee of Friends be appointed to present to the General Assembly, that the Society of Friends have always borne a testimony in favor of arbitration as a means of settling, not only questions between our members, in lieu of a resort to law, but also as to the most proper means for the settlement of all questions growing out of the complex relations of capital and labor.

The undersigned would respectfully represent, that this is one of the ancient and fundamental testimonies of our religious society.