

WEDNESDAY, March 29th, 1876.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ide.

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Smith, (Speaker,) Dunbar, Mattingly, Boyer, Usilton, Hodges, Robinson, Rullman, Turner, Lancaster, Hawkins, Hooper, Baldwin, Whitelock, Curtis, Given, Fitzjarrell, Dodson, Lankford Gunby, Ford, Lambdin, Smith, of Dorchester, Waters, of Dor., Briscoe, Snowden, Hance, Gwynn, Cockey, Neal, Purnell, Onley, Riggs, Hinks, Nail, Koons, Rutledge, Boyle, Vandiver, Culbreth, Goldsborough, Rusk, Berkemeier, Lewis, McWilliams, Hoblitzell, McGlone, Coburn, Stewart, McAleese, Gill, Hart, Loane, Chaisty, Harig, Albaugh, Sanders, Fenton, Scott, Farrow, Ranger, Jones, Canby, Griffith, Rawlings, Atkinson, Sprigg, Brooke, Brown, Rinehart, Lamotte, Waters, of Car'l, Donaldson, Clark, Dashiell, Gordy, Barnard, Browning—77.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from John F. Wiley, foreman of the Grand Jury for Baltimore, asking the passage of a law to protect the persons and property of our citizens and others from lawless proceedings, trespassing on railroads, &c.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Lewis presented the petition of 194 citizens of the western section of Baltimore city, protesting against the removal of the Cattle Scales.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Berkemeier presented the petition of 158 property holders in favor of the Cattle Scales, remonstrating against the removal of the same.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Rusk presented the petition of 450 butchers of Baltimore against the incorporation of the Maryland Live Stock Company.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Mr. Stewart presented the petition of the packers and wholesale provision dealers of Baltimore city, remonstrating