

THURSDAY, January 27th, 1876.

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

Present at the call of the roll following members :

Messrs. Smith, (Speaker,) Mattingly, Boyer, Usilton, Hodges, Robinson, Rullman, Turner, Bird, Lancaster, Hawkins, Hooper, Baldwin, Whitelock, Curtis, Smith, of B. co, Given, Fitzjarrell, Dodson, Lankford, Gunby, Ford, Lambdin, Smith, of Dor., Waters, of Dor., Briscoe, Constable, Ward, Snowden, Hance, Gywnn, Cockey, Neal, Purnell, Onley, Riggs, Hinks, Naill, Linthicum, Koons, Rutledge, Boyle, Vandiver, Culbreth, Goldsborough, Rusk, Berkemeier, Lewis, McWilliams, McGlone, Coburn, Stewart, McAleese, Gill, Hart, Loane, Chaisty, Hess, 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—82.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from Hon. Barnes Compton, Treasurer of the State.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Annapolis, January 25th, 1876.

Gentlemen :

Your favor of the 18th inst., informing me of my election by the Legislature, to the position of State Treasurer for the ensuing two years, was received this morning.

Thanking you, and through you, the Legislature of the State, for this renewed manifestation of confidence and esteem, with the assurance of a firm purpose to administer the trust with an eye single to the welfare of the commonwealth of which we are citizens, I accept the office, and shall, at an early day, proceed to qualify as required by the Constitution and law.

With sentiments of warm personal regard,

I am very respectfully,

BARNES COMPTON.

To Hons. Daniel Fields, President of the Senate, and Lewis C. Smith, Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Clark,

Was ordered to be entered on the Journal.