

MONDAY, February 7th, 1876.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Joseph T. Smith, D. D.

In the temporary absence of the Speaker, owing to a railroad accident,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

Mr. Chaisty was called to the Chair.

Present at the call of the roll, the following members :

Messrs. Dunbar, Mattingly, Usilton, Hodges, Robinson, Rullman, Turner, Bird, Lancaster, Hooper, Baldwin, White-lock, Curtis, Smith, of Balto. co., Given, Dodson, Lankford, Gunby, Lambdin, Smith, of Dorchester, Ward, Snowden, Hance, Gwynn, Cockey, Neal, Purnell, Onley, Riggs, Hinks, Nail, Rutledge, Boyle, Vandiver, Goldsborough, Rusk, Berkemeier, Lewis, McWilliams, Hoblitzell, McGlone, Curn, 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 Carroll, Donaldson, Dashiell, Gordy, Barnard, Browning—73.

Mr. Loane presented the petition of Mrs. M. J. Storvell, Mrs. L. D. Shipley, Margaret Nelton and 397 other ladies of Baltimore city, asking for Local Option.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also,

The petition of Dr. Franklin Wilson, J. Berry Turner, Dr. Eliot C. Price, and 310 others, of Baltimore city, asking for Local Option.

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The petition of Darby & Co., J. S. Wetherby, C. M. Stieff, Wm. Bridges, and 180 others, of Baltimore city, asking for Local Option.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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The petition of Mrs. Mary A. Carson, Elisha J. Whitmarsh, Martha A. Knowles, and 345 other ladies, of Baltimore city, asking for Local Option.