WEDNESDAY, May 8, 1861.

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

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

Messrs. Kilbourn, Speaker, Durant, Morgan, Rasin, Medders, Briscoe, Parran, Compton, Burgess, Ford, Worthington, Denison, Hunter, Quinlan, Renshaw, Jones, of Talbot, Long, Lawson, Keene, Holland, Miller, Bryan, Jones, of Prince George's, Legg, Starkey, Jacobs, Landing, Dennis, of Worcester, Kessler, Routzhan, Johnson, Salmon, Naill, Straughn, Goldsborough, Warfield, Brune, Winans, Harrison, Thomas, Wallis, Sangston, Morfit, Scott, Wilson, of Harford, Bayless, McCoy, Coudy, Eakle, Brining, Fiery, Griffith, Harding, Gordon, McCleary, Roop, Gorsuch, Mills, Turner and Brown.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Brown presented the petition of Nelson Phelps and forty-five others, against the passage of the Public Safety Bill.

Also the petition of F. M. Collier and one hundred and twenty-five other citizens of Howard county, upon the same subject.

Also the petition of A. P. Ijams and twenty-four other citizens of Howard county, upon the same subject;

Which were read and severally referred to the Joint Special Committee of the House and Senate.

Mr. McCleary presented the petition of twenty-one hundred and seventeen citizens of Allegany county, against the passage of the Public Safety Bill;

Which was read and referred to the same committee.

Mr. Morgan proposed the following:

By the House of Delegates, May 8, 1861.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE:

We propose with the concurrence of your Honorable Body to adopt the following joint resolution:

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Delegates, That when