Was taken up.

THURSDAY, January 5, 1865.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Frazier, Speaker, Anderson, Angel, Bartel, Brown, Buhrman, Calvert, Cairns, Chew, Clift, Comegys, Cook, Cronise, Cummings, Darling, Eavey, Everhart, Fooks, Fawcett, Garrison, Hambleton, Handy, Harris, Hazen, Hoffman, Holloway, Hopkins, Hynes, Jamison, Jones, Keefer, King, Kirk, Leaverton, Lee, of Baltimore city, Lee, of Queen Anne's, Lusby, Malone, McCullogh, Markey, McCauley, Miller, of Anne Arundel, Miller, of Washington, Mules, Nairne, Norris, Parker, Pennington, Pilkington, Poteet, Rinehart, Robinson, Shaw, Sherry, Showacre, Slothower, Smith, of Allegany, Smith, of Dorchester, Smith, of Frederick, Soper, Stewart, Tarr, Tolson, Tull, Usilton, Valliant, Wardwell, Watkins, Willis, Wilson, Wooden and Ziegler.—72.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Messrs. Henry A. Silver, of Harford, Thomas F. Rider, of Somerset, and Adam C. Warner, of Howard, members elect, appeared in the House and were qualified by the Speaker.

Mr. Hynes presented a petition from the Police Officers of the city of Baltimore, asking an increase of pay;

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore city delegation.

Mr. Keefer presented a memorial from the Frederick and Emmittsburg Turnpike Company for an increase of tolls;

Which was read and referred to the Frederick county delegation.

On motion of Mr. Mules,

Ordered, That the Speaker appoint an Assistant Reading Clerk, to serve as such during the absence of Mr. Cantwell, the Reading Clerk elect;

The Speaker appointed John McGarrigle temporary Reading Clerk in accordance with the above order.

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On motion of Mr. Markey,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal that Mr. Agnew, of Frederick, is absent from his seat on account of sickness.

The order submitted by Mr. Lee, on yesterday, in reference to the appointment of Chaplains to the House;

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