article 66 of the Code of Public General Laws, entitled, Negroes, relating to vagrant free negroes;

Was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Willis submitted the following amendment:

"That the party giving bond for the wages of said negro shall not be bound for more of said wages than for the time in which said negro shall have worked."

Pending the consideration of which,

On motion of Mr. Heckart,

The enacting clause of the bill was stricken out.

Said bill was then returned to the House of Delegates.

The Senate adjourned.

## WEDNESDAY, February 26th, 1862.

Present at the call of the roll the following Senators:

Messrs. Goldsborough, Pt., Bayne, Billingsley, Briscoe, Denison, Eichelberger, Everett, Firey, Goldsborough, of Dorchester, Harrison, Heckart, Jenkins, Lankford, Lynch, Sellman, Smith, Townsend, Waters, Watkins, Whitaker and Willis.

Mr. Harrison presented the petition of J. M. Robinson and other citizens of the town of Centreville, against any change in the corporation laws of said town;

Which was read, and

Referred to Messrs. Harrison, Watkins and Smith.

Mr. Goldsborough, of Dorchester, presented the petition of citizens of Dorchester county, in reference to primary schools;

Which was read, and

Referred to the committee on Education.