

SATURDAY, January 11th, 1862.

*The House met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Davenport, Chaplain of the House.*

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Berry, Sp'r, Dent, Westcott, Symth, Walton, Bond, Carrico, Johnson, of Baltimore county, Given, Pearce, Harrison, Kerr, Dougherty, Wright, Turner, Phelps, Carroll, Leckie, Creswell, McIntire, Morton, Bowie, Sr., Bowie, McCollister, Kemp, Duncan, Purnell, Hammond, of Frederick, Coale, Buhrman, Biggs, Johnson, of Frederick, Dove, Lewis, Hardcastle, Willis, Price, Warner, Reese, Hugg, Mathews, Pearson, Davis, of Montgomery, Dunlop, White, Lowe, Everhart and Hammond, of Howard.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Dunlop presented the petition of the Judges of the Orphans' Court of Montgomery county, in reference to free persons of color coming into the State;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Colored Population.

Also, the petition of Mary Ann Cissell, of Montgomery county, for a claim for money alleged to be due;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. McCollister presented the petition of Stansbury Whitely and others, citizens of Queen Anne's county, in reference to game;

Which was read and referred to the Queen Anne's county delegation.

Mr. Dunlop presented the petition of James G. Hening, clerk of Montgomery county court, for fees;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr. Bowie,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal, that the absence of Mr. George W. Duvall, of Prince George's county, from this House is occasioned by sickness in his family.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

Ordered, That it be entered on the Journal, that the failure of Mr. Rohrer, one of the delegates from Washington county, to attend the session of the House to-day is caused by illness.

Mr. Mathews submitted the following:

Ordered, That the Adjutant General be requested to fur-