On motion of Mr. Hammond, of Howard, Was recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Reese,

Ordered, That William R. Cole, be and he is hereby appointed Reading Clerk of this House, vice James P. Milnor, resigned.

Jacob Long, appeared and qualified as Doorkeeper.

On motion of Mr. Purnell, The House adjourned.

## THURSDAY, December 12th, 1861.

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'k, Westcott, Smyth, Walton, Dunbar, Nutwell, Magruder, Davis, of Charles, Jerome, Given, Ensor, Pearce, Harrison, Kerr, Dougherty, Gunby, Wright, Turner, Phelps, Carroll, Leckie, Creswell, McIntire, Morton, Bowie, Sr., Duvall, Bowie, McCollister, Kemp, Smith, Duncan; Purnell, Hammond, of Frederick, Coale, Buhrman, Biggs, Johnson, of Frederick, Harris, of Frederick, McCoy, Dove, Hardcastle, Willis, Price, Warner, Wolf, Stockdale, Christopher, Reese, Hugg, Taylor, Alexander, Matthews, Pearson, Herbert, Thomas, Rohrer, Davis, of Montgomery, Dunlop, White, Lowe, Chamberlain, Little, Everhart and Waters.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Smyth presented the memorial of the Hon. E. F. Chambers, in regard to compensation for his services rendered,