Mr. Donaldson, from the committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill entitled, An act to amend the 107th section, of the 81st article, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to the fixing of commissions of executors, and to taxing the same;

Which was read.

On motion of Mr. Mathews,

The resolution offered by him on the 12th instant, in relation to auctioneers in the city of Baltimore, was changed to an order, and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Price,

The petition of C. W. Jacobs, administrator of William Holland, deceased, was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Reese called up the report of the committee on Claims, and it was recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Turner, The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, December 17th, 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'r, Harris, of St. Mary's, Westcott, Symth, Walton, Dunbar, Nutwell, Bond, Magruder, Jerome, Given, Ensor, Pearce, Harrison, Kerr, Dougherty, Wright, Turner, Phelps, Carroll, Leckie, Creswell, McIntire, Morton, Duvall, Bowie, McCollister, Kemp, Duncan, Purnell, Hammond, of Frederick, Coale, Buhrman, Biggs, Johnson, of Frederick, Harris, of Frederick, McCoy, Dove,