a bill entitled, An act to repeal sections 806, 807, 809, 810, 811, 815 and 821 of article 4th of the Code of Public Local Laws, and to re-enact the same with amendments thereto;

Which was read the first time and ordered to be printed. .

Mr. Given from a special committee, reported favorably a bill entitled, An act to repeal an act to make valid the qualification of John Merryman, as First Lieutenant of the Baltimore county Horse Guard.

Which was read the first time.

On motion of Mr. Willis, The House adjourned.

## WEDNESDAY, December 18th, 1861.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Berry, Sp'k., Smyth, Walton, Dunbar, Bond, Magruder, Given, Ensor, Pearce, Harrison, Kerr, Dougherty, Wright, Turner, Phelps, Carroll, Leckie, Creswell, McIntire, Morton, Duvall, Bowie, McCollister, 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, Mathews, Pearson, Findlay, Herbert, Thomas, Rohrer, Dunlop, White, Chamberlain, Little, Everhart, Waters.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Smyth presented the petition of Isaac Rodgers and Richard Smyth, of Kent county, for the appointment of persons to execute a deed;