

SATURDAY, February 6th, 1864.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members:

Messrs. Dent, Griffith, Davis, Hoffman, Pearce, of Baltimore county, Lusby, Lester, Hyland, Clarke, Herbert, Pierce, of Queen Anne's, Tolson, Smith, Buhman, Trail, McCoy, Hitchcock, Barron, Silverwood, Chappell, Stockbridge, Dundon, Mules, Boswell, Cushwa, Greene, Brown, Hebb, Ecker, Starr, Sykes and Tyson.

A quorum not being present.

On motion of Mr. Hebb,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was sent after the absent members.

After a brief absence the Sergeant-at-Arms returned with sufficient members to form a quorum.

On motion of Mr. Stubbs,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The House then proceeded to business.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. Tyson presented a petition from Edward A. Talbott, late sheriff of Howard county, praying that certain sums of money paid by him into the State Treasury may be refunded to him;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Frazier presented a petition from a number of citizens of Anne Arundel county, praying that the dredge law may not pass;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Oysters and Fish.

Mr. Lester presented a petition from David Jean and thirty-nine other citizens of Baltimore county, in favor of extending the hog law within ten miles of the city of Baltimore;

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore county delegation.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from John Bishop, former Sheriff of Worcester county, asking that the sum of eighty-six dollars and fourteen cents, which he has paid into the Treasury for fines and forfeitures, be refunded to him;