

WEDNESDAY, March 9th, 1864.

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

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Kemp, Speaker, Martin, Westcott, Cosden, Henkle, Griffith, Ireland, Davis, Carrico, Hoffman, Poteet, Wright, Pearce, of Baltimore county, Lusby, Lester, Kerr, McNeal, Mathews, Hyland, Handy, Douglass, Jones, Stubbs, Boulden, Hance, Pierce, of Queen Anne's county, Tolson, Duncan, Smith, Murray, of Worcester county, Buhrman, Biggs, Rinehart, Snyder, Trail, Hitchcock, Ridgaway, Barron, Silverwood, Chappell, Stevens, Stockbridge, Lee, Murray, of Baltimore, city, Dundon, Mules, Cushwa, Masters, Miller, Gantz, Zeigler, Fawcett, Young, Shaw, Brown, Hebb, Ecker, Waters, Starr and Sykes.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

Mr. McCoy submitted the following order:

Ordered, That the bills reported by the committee on Claims, that are now on their second reading, be taken up and acted on at 10 o'clock;

Which was adopted.

Mr. McCoy submitted the following order:

Ordered, That John Sullivan, keeper of the hall, be and he is hereby appointed to take charge of the furniture in the House, Speaker's room and committee rooms, during the recess of the Legislature, and have the same preserved under the direction of the Speaker;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hoffman submitted the following resolution:

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to be used by the Governor in order to publish in pamphlet form or otherwise, a statement showing the resources of Maryland, cheap lands, want of labor, high prices paid for labor, &c., in order to induce immigrants to locate in our State;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Hoffman submitted the following resolution:

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That one thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to be used by the Adjutant General, who is authorized to employ