

THURSDAY, February 9th, 1832.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Thomas, the speaker, who is confined by indisposition.

On motion by Mr Handy,

The house proceeded to ballot for a speaker pro tempore, the ballots of the members being collected in the ballot box, on examination thereof, it appeared that John Edelen, Esq. received fifty-three votes, and that there were seven scattering.

Whereupon, John Edelen, Esquire, was declared duly elected the speaker pro tempore, of the house of delegates, and accordingly took the chair.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act to authorise commissioners to divide Prince George's county, into school districts, passed at December session, 1830, chapter 39;

Also, the bill entitled, An act to authorise and empower the justices of the levy court of Prince George's county, to sell and convey the lot of ground therein mentioned;

And the resolution relative to the free schools fund; were sent to the senate.

Mr. Johns presented the petition of James M. Magness, of Harford county, praying to be placed on the pension list of said county; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions to indigent persons by county assessment;

Mr. Handy presented the petition of William Riley and others, securities of Cord Hazzard, late sheriff and collector of Worcester county, praying to be released from interest therein mentioned, accompanied with a letter from Josiah Bayly, Esq. attorney general of the state; which was read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Carmichael presented the petition of sundry citizens of Queen Anne's county, praying the grant of a pension to Tabitha Lewis and John Lewis; which was read and referred to the committee on pensions to indigent persons, by county assessment:

Mr. Wilson, of Cecil, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Cecil county, praying for an act to incorporate a company to construct a rail road from the Delaware line through Elkton to Baltimore; which was read and referred to the committee on internal improvement.

Mr. Turner, of Baltimore county, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Baltimore county, praying for an al-