

WEDNESDAY, March 13th, 1878.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. L. D. Travers.

Present at roll call the following Senators :

Messrs. President, Bannon, Combs, of Allegany, Combs, of St. Mary's, Cooper, Dennis, Ford, Franklin, Freeman, Garey, Gorman, Hepbron, Hill, Humphreys, Joyce, Lancaster, Lee, McLane, Miller, Newcomer, Peter, Steiner, Stump, Sulivane, Welfley, Wilson—26.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The Hon. R. C. Hollyday, Secretary of State, appeared and delivered a communication from the Executive, endorsed "Executive business."

On motion by Mr. McLane,

Senate bill entitled an Act to adjust and settle finally by an agreement, all pending controversies between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and the State of Maryland, by subjecting the franchises and property of said Company, within this State, to taxation for State purposes to a certain extent, and by providing for the payment of a certain indebtedness of the said Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, to the said State, and for the establishment, by contract, of certain rates of toll and transportation for coal, lumber, pig-iron, ores of all kind, and stone transported by the said Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to the basins of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, at or near Cumberland, and by providing, on certain conditions, for the release of the right of the State to any proportion of the moneys received by the said Company for the transportation of passengers on its Railroad between Baltimore and Washington, otherwise than by way of dividends upon its stock in the Washington Branch Railroad, of said Company,

Was recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. McLane presented the memorial from the Supreme Bench, of Baltimore City, against the passage of the bill for the establishment of a second Criminal Court, in Baltimore City.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore City Senators.