

Ordered, That the Printer of the last House of Delegates continue to act as Printer of the present House until the election of Printer.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Choate submitted the following order :

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to prepare rules for the House; and further, that the rules of the last session be in force until others be adopted.

Which was adopted.

And the following members constitute said committee :

Messrs. Choate, Kilbourn, Merrick, McLane, McCreery.

On motion of Mr. Sanner,

At two o'clock P. M. the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 6, 1870.

The House met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Edwards

Present at the call of the roll the following members :

Messrs. Latrobe, (Speaker,) Loker, Martin, Beck, Wilmer, Kilbourn, Baldwin, of Anne Arundel, Wells, Owings, of Calvert, Duke, Mitchell, Carroll, Cameron, Shipley, Gatch, Choate, Turner, Hammond, Brattan, Lankford, Harrington, Woolford, Meekins, Touchstone, Owens, of Cecil, Richards, Biddle, Marbury, Thomas, of Q. Anne's, Brown, Dennis, Purnell, Thomas, of Frederick, Bowlus, McCreery, Ritter, White, Harris, Ady, Baldwin, of Harford, Streett, Hopkins, Hardcastle, of Caroline, Garey, Sanner, Hamilton, Cooper, Morse, Blake, Webb, Wilson, of Balto. City, Wiley, McLane, Colton, Kirk, Collins, Ehlen, Gardner, Markland, Marshall, Hoblitzell, Neill, Welty, Murdock, Sword, Seibert, Hilton, Watkins, Kean, Standish, Myers, Percy, Shower, Jordan, Winters, Crouse, Merrick, Gorman, Crawford, Gordy, Hardcastle, of Talbot, Chapman, Veitch, Wootton—84.

The Journal of yesterday was read.

Mr. Watkins, Chairman of Select Committee, submitted the following report :