Which was read and referred to the Committee on Roads and Highways.

Also,

The petition of James S. Parsons, Wilson Davis, and 97 other citizens of Wicomico county, praying the passage of a stay law.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Wells presented the petition of 90 residents of the 8th election district of Anne Arundel county, protesting against the present oyster law permitting dredging for oysters in the waters of the Chesapeake bay.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries.

Mr. Shipley presented the petition of John W. McCauley, G. W. Lurman, and 45 others, asking for the removal of the county seat of Baltimore county from Towsontown to the Almshouse property in said county.

Which was read and referred to the Baltimore county delegation.

The following message was received from his Excellency, the Governor, per hands of Richard C. Hollyday, Esq., Secretary of State:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Annapolis, Feb. 23, 1870.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates of Maryland:

According to the requirements of the Constitution, I have signed and sealed and transmitted to the Clerk of the Court of Appeals, the laws of the present session, whose titles are enumerated on the accompanying list.

ODEN BOWIE.

An Act entitled a supplement to an Act passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at January session eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and twenty-four, entitled an Act to incorporate the town of Berlin, Worcester county.

An Act entitled a supplement to an Act entitled an Act to incorporate the Library Company of the Baltimore Bar.

An Act to repeal sections 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170 and 171, of Article 6, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Caroline county," sub-title "Roads," and to substitute therefor the following.

An Act entitled a supplement to an Act entitled an Act to authorize the persons therein named to build a Methodist meeting house on the public grounds in Chestertown, in Kent-