Mr. Cooper submitted the following message:

By the House of Delegates, January 14th, 1874.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message in regard to visiting the Penitentiary and House of Refuge, and concur therein.

We have appointed on the part of the House, Messrs.

Cooper, McWilliams and Koons.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD, Chief Clerk.

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Vanderford, Chairman of a Select Committee, reported favorably,

A bill entitled an Act to confirm and approve an Act passed at January session, 1872, chapter 16, entitled an Act to authorize and emower the County Commissioners for Carroll county to subscribe to the capital stock of Turnpike Companies in Carroll county.

Which was read a first time.

On motion of Mr. McWilliams, At 2 o'clock, P. M., the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 15th, 1874.

The House met and was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Hall.

Present at the call of the roll, the following members:

Messrs. Hines, (Speaker,) Bond, Colton, Merritt, Henkle, Robinson, Nutwell, Bird, Turner, of Calvert, Lancaster, Hawkins, Keech, Buchanan, Matthews, Fowler, Turner, of Balt. co., Seth, Valliant, Sudler, Coulbourn, Duer, Gordy, Johnson, Hodson, Groome, Turner, of Cecil, Mackey, Etchison, Robey, Thompson, Kemp, Pruitt, Merrill, Koons, Miller, Lamar, Nicodemus, Annan, Grafton, Lee, Riley, Dawson, Williams, McCosker, T. H. Hamilton, Cooper, C. R. Hamilton, McWilliams, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, of Balt, City, McAleese, Gill, Hart, Loane, Greenfield, McColgan, Harig, Joyce, Groh, Fenton, Berry, Freaner, Grimes, Stake,