

operation of the provisions of this Act; make the number of present sections 12 and 13, read 13 and 14 respectively.

Which were severally read and adopted.

And the bill as amended was then read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The Secretary of the Senate returned the following bill,

Endorsed, "Passed by yeas and nays:"

The bill entitled an Act to alter and amend the charter of the Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Company, incorporated by an Act entitled an Act to recognize the Hampshire and Baltimore Coal Company, a corporation created by, and existing under the laws of the State of West Virginia, as a corporation in the State of Maryland, and to authorize it to exercise the powers and privileges of a corporation within the State of Maryland, for mining and other purposes, passed at January session, 1864, chapter 295, by repealing the second section thereof, and amending the same and re-enacting it as amended.

Charles J. Pennington, Esq., Assistant Secretary of State, delivered the following message from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Annapolis, February 17th, 1874.

*To the House of Delegates:*

I have the honor to return herewith, with my assent and approval, the following House Bills:

No. 16. A bill entitled an Act supplementary to an Act passed by the General Assembly of Maryland, at the January session, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, chapter four hundred and fifty-five, to confer certain powers upon a corporation therein named, to render effectual said powers, by the correction of an error which occurred in said Act; and also to extend the time for the payment of the capital stock of said Company of the title as corrected by the Act.

No. 23. A bill entitled an Act to repeal section one hundred and ninety-nine, Article one, of the Code of Public Local Laws, entitled "Allegany County," sub-title "Birds."

WM. PINKNEY WHYTE.

Which was read.

On motion Mr. Henkle, (the rules being suspended,)

The House proceeded to the consideration of the bill entitled an Act to alter and amend section 2, of an Act to