

of said Insurance Companies, for the year to end May the first, eighteen hundred and seventy-four, shall not be less than the amount of license heretofore paid.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, the following Senate bills,

Severally endorsed, "Passed by yeas and nays:"

A bill entitled an Act to establish a Commission of Fisheries of the State of Maryland, define its duties, and to appropriate a sum of money to defray the expenses thereof.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Select Committee on that subject.

Also,

A bill entitled an Act to provide for the relinquishment to the United States, in certain cases, of title to, and jurisdiction over, land for sites of light-houses, beacons and other aids to navigation, and for the protection of beacons, buoys and floating guides on the coast and in the waters of this State.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

On motion of Mr. Gordy,

At 2½ o'clock, P. M., the House took a recess until 8 o'clock, this P. M.

## NIGHT SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, February 25—8 o'clock, P. M.

The House met.

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

Messrs. Hines, (Speaker,) Colton, Merritt, Henkle, Nutwell, Lancaster, Hawkins, Keech, Buchanan, Matthews, Merryman, Turner, of Baltimore county, Seth, Sudler, Coulbourn, Duer, Gordy, Hodson, Turner, of Cecil, Davis, Etchison, Robey, Thompson, Kemp, Pruitt, Koons, Miller, Lamar, Nicodemus, Annan, Grafton, Lee, Riley, Dawson, Williams, McCosker, McWilliams, Foster, Staylor, Stewart, of Baltimore city, Gill, Hart, Loane, Greenfield, Harig, Joyce, Groh, Fenton, Berry, Freaner, Grimes, Stake, Clark, Watkins, Fletchall, Wier, Wack, Park, Brace, Waters, Vanderford, Galt, Brown, Maclin, Stewart, of Howard, Leonard, Bedsworth, Glotfelty—68.