

The Hon. C. J. Pennington, Secretary of State, appeared and delivered the following communication from his Excellency, the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Annapolis, February 13th, 1874.

*To the Senate :*

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and signed the following Senate bills :

No. 6. A bill entitled an Act to give and declare the sanction and consent of the General Assembly of Maryland to the bequest of five hundred dollars, contained in the last will and testament of Henry Rohr, late of Frederick county, Maryland, deceased, to the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation at Mount Zion, in Frederick county, State of Maryland.

No. 7. A bill entitled an Act to confirm and approve an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at January Session, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter four, entitled an Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Frederick county to subscribe to the capital stock of the Liberty and Frederick Turnpike Road Company of Frederick county.

No. 8. A bill entitled an Act to authorize the Mayor and Council of Hagerstown to borrow the sum of five thousand dollars to pay a judgment of Nathaniel Lehner and a judgment of J. G. Gruber, recovered against them; to issue bonds for the payment of the same, and to levy taxes on the assessable property of Hagerstown to redeem said bonds and to pay the interest thereon.

No. 9. A bill entitled an Act to repeal sections one hundred and five and one hundred and six of Article twenty-six, of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Corporations," subtitle "Insurance Companies," and to re-enact the same with amendments.

No. 30. A bill entitled an Act to amend the Act of the General Assembly of eighteen hundred and seventy-two, chapter one hundred and ninety-six, entitled an Act to authorize the Comptroller of the Treasury to adjust and settle the accounts due by Collectors, Sheriffs, Clerks, Registers and other receivers of public monies, in cases where the indebtedness accrued prior to and including the year eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, by repealing section one of said Act and re-enacting the same with amendments.

No. 31. A bill entitled an Act to authorize Henry C. Lay, Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, as such in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, his successors in office, and his or their assigns, to hold a lot or par-