the Board of County School Commissioners whose decision shall be final."

Which was adopted.

Pending the further consideration of said bill,

Senate bill entitled an Act to adjust and settle finally, by an agreement, all pending controversies between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company and the State of Maryland, by subjecting the franchises and property of said Company within this State to taxation for State purposes, to a certain extent; and by providing for the payment of a certain indebtedness of the said Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to the said State, and for the establishment by contract of certain rates of toll and transportation for coal, lumber, pig iron, ores of all kind and stone transported by the said Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to the basins of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, at or near Cumberland, and by providing, on certain conditions, for the release of the right of the State to any proportion of the moneys received by the said Company for the transportation of passengers on its railroad between Baltimore and Washington, otherwise than by way of dividends upon its stock in the Washington Branch Railroad of said Company,

Was read the third time, and passed by yeas and nays, as follows:

## AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Bannon,
Combs, of Allegany,
Cooper,
Ford,
Gorman,
Hill,
Humphreys,
Joyce,

Lancaster, Lee, McLane, Miller, Peter, Stump, Welfley, Wilson—16.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Dennis, Franklin, Freeman,

Garey, Steiner, Sulivane-6.

Said bill was then sent to the House of Delegates.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates appeared and delivered the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

March 18th, 1873.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message asking the return of the House bill entitled an Act granting permission to the Poor