

two thousand dollars, made by the will of said deceased, to his wife, Ann Griffith, who died before her husband without heirs.

Endorsed, "Passed by yeas and nays."

Also,

The bill entitled an Act to repeal the Act, passed at the January Session, 1874, chapter 278, entitled an Act to regulate fences on adjoining lands of persons in Prince George's county.

Endorsed, "Passed by yeas and nays."

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following message :

BY THE SENATE,
February 2nd, 1876.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

It has become our melancholy duty to announce, that since the last Session of our General Assembly, the Hon. Chapman Billingsley, late a Representative from St. Mary's county, in our body, has been called by a Divine Providence from our midst.

Fully appreciating his great worth and loss to our State, but bowing in humble submission to the Divine Will, it only remains for us to express our devotion to his memory; and we propose to your Honorable Body, as a testimonial of respect, and as an earnest of our sorrow at his demise, that the business of the two Houses of the General Assembly be suspended, that his friends and associates may pay a fitting tribute to his memory; and as a further mark of respect, that upon the conclusion of such eulogies as may be offered, the two Houses of the General Assembly immediately adjourn, and that the Members of both Houses wear the usual badge of mourning for the usual time.

By order,

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,
Secretary.

Which was read.

Mr. Mattingly submitted the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,
February 2nd, 1876.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received the message from your Honorable Body, announcing the death of the Hon. Chapman Billingsley, late Senator from St. Mary's county, since the adjournment of the Senate of 1874, of which he was an honored and honora-