The President laid before the Senate the following communication from the Executive:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Annapolis, Feb. 8th, 1876.

Gentlemen of the Senate of Maryland:

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

No. 7.—An Act to change the dividing line between the

Second and Fifth Election Districts in Garrett county.

No. 8.—An Act to extend the building line in the harbor of Crisfield, on the north side of the town of Crisfield, into deep water, so as to admit the erection of oyster-houses along the same.

No. 9.—An Act to authorize and empower the Governor to appoint an additional Justice of the Peace in Easton, Talbot county.

No. 10.—An Act to authorize the Clerk of the Circuit

Court for Queen Ann's county to copy index of deeds.

No. 14.—An Act to amend chapter 218, an Act of eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled an Act to incorporate certain persons as Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Princess Anne, in Somerset, to be called the "Antioch Church," and to vest the property of said church in said trustees.

JOHN LEE CARROLL.

Which was read.

Senate bill entitled an Act to prevent the increase of gates on the public roads of Calvert county,

Being upon its third reading,

On motion by Mr. Duke,

Was referred to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings.

Senate bill entitled an Act relating to Justices of the Peace in and for Garrett county,

Being upon its third reading,

Mr. Lee submitted the following amendment:

After the word "Garrett," in the title and in the body of the bill insert "Carroll," and strike out "county" wherever it occurs in said bill and insert "counties."

Which was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Steiner,

Said bill was ordered to lie over and be printed.