

Of course, no such provision as this was intended, but the probable effect of it would be to exempt any veterinarian who has been practicing for ten years from the provisions of the law intended to prohibit fraudulent practices and professional misconduct. I do not think that the desirable features of the bill justify the removal of such members of the profession from all State regulation and control. This would be the case if the bill in its present form were approved. For these reasons, I will veto it.

STREET OPENING BENEFITS IN BALTIMORE COUNTY.

(Chapter 263, Senate Bill No. 187)

Under its Charter, Baltimore City is authorized in opening streets within the city to assess benefits on property in the county and adjacent to the city. Senate Bill No. 187 repeals this right of the city to assess such benefits on county property. If adjacent property in the county is benefited and increased in value by the opening of a street in Baltimore City, then there would seem to be no reason why the amount of benefit thus accrued should not be assessed against it. For this reason, the bill will be vetoed.

QUALITY OF GAS IN ANNAPOLIS.

(Chapter 390, House Bill No. 568)

This bill provides that any order of the Public Service Commission fixing the standards for purity, illuminating power and heating power of gas in Baltimore shall be applicable to the gas delivered in Annapolis. Pursuant to a contract executed some years ago, the Consolidated Gas, Electric Light and Power Company of Baltimore delivers gas to the Annapolis and Chesapeake Bay Power Company in order to supply the Annapolis territory. This gas is brought from Baltimore to Annapolis through a high pressure transmission main. Under a well understood law of physics, gas inevitably loses in heating value during transmission, and with respect to gas transmitted from Baltimore to Annapolis, the provisions of this bill could not be complied with. For this reason, the bill will be vetoed. It may be noted that when the contract in question was made, the Public Service Commis-