

Also, a bill entitled An Act providing for a special term of the Court of Appeals ;

Which was read the first time, and referred to the committee on Judicial proceedings, hereafter to be appointed.

Mr. Carroll submitted the following message :

BY THE SENATE,

January 11th, 1865.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :*

We received your message informing us of the election of the Hon. Thomas Swann as Governor, and the Hon. C. C. Cox as Lieutenant Governor, and asking the appointment of a Joint committee of the two Houses to inform the gentlemen of their election. We concur therein, and have appointed on the part of the Senate Messrs. Carroll and C. Billingsley. We also respectfully request the presence of your Honorable Body in the Senate Chamber this day, at 11½ o'clock, A. M., to witness the Inauguration of the Lieutenant Governor, and at 12 M., to witness the Inauguration of the Governor elect of Maryland.

By order,

C. HARWOOD,

Secretary.

Which was read, assented to and sent to the House of Delegates.

Mr. Earle from the Select committee submitted the following

#### REPORT :

The committee appointed to consider and report a mode of carrying into effect the provisions of the 7th Section of the 3rd Article of the New Constitution, respecting the classification of Senators, and the ascertainment, by lot, of their respective terms of office, ask leave to submit the following report :

The Constitution directs the Senate, immediately on its convening, after the first election held under its provisions, to divide the Senators, by lot, into two classes, each to be as nearly equal in number as may be. The first class, or one half of the Senators, shall go out of office at the expiration of two, the second class at the expiration of four years, from the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, eighteen hundred and sixty-four. The committee therefore report the following resolution and plan for the classification of Senators :