

my imprisonment, and there is no one competent or authorised to take charge of the matters which were in his hands.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

ANDREW A. LYNCH.

Which was read.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the following bill :

A bill entitled, An act to incorporate the Union Gas Light Company ;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Watkins moved to give it a second reading, by special order ;

Determined in the negative by yeas and nays, as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs.	Billingsley,	Watkins,
Goldsborough, Pt.	Heckart,	Whitaker,
Bayne,	Smith,	Willis—8.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Blackiston,	Firey,	Lankford,
Briscoe,	Goldsborough, of	Sellman,
Denison,	Dorchester,	Townsend,
Eichelberger,	Harrison,	Waters—13.
Everett,	Jenkins,	

The bill was then referred to the committee on Corporations.

Also, delivered the bill entitled, An act to add an additional section to the 74th article of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to pilots ;

Which was read the first time, and

Referred to the committee on the Chesapeake Bay and its Tributaries.

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

*By the House of Delegates,*

March 10th, 1862.

*Gentlemen of the Senate :*

We herewith return you House Bill, "to repeal all acts and parts of acts of Assembly, granting exemptions from taxation, except the 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th sections of article 81, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to exemption from taxation."