$\operatorname{Mr.}$  Magruder proposed the following message:

By the House of Delegates,

February 4th, 1858.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a joint committee to inquire into the expediency of constructing a fire proof building for the records of the State; of increasing the size of the Hall of the House of Delegates, of adding committee rooms, and of lighting the State House with gas and warming it with furnaces; and proposing that the committee shall report at this session of the General Assembly. We concur therein, and have appointed Messrs. Magruder, Contee and Crowley, as such committee on the part of the House.

By order,

J. W. CLAYTON, Chief Clerk,

Which was read, assented to and sent to the Senate; also,

The bill entitled, an act to amend an act entitled, an act incorporating the Maryland Institute for the promotion of the Mechanic Arts, passed December session, 1849, chapter 114;

Endorsed "passed by yeas and nays, with proposed amendment."

## AMENDMENT PROPOSED.

In line 1st of preamble insert "General Assembly;"

Which was assented to, and the bill as amended was passed by year and nays, as follows:

## AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Berry, Sp'r, Morgan, Neale, Wickes, Meginnis, Tongue, Griffiss. Magruder, Stonestreet. Walker, Ford, of Balt. co. Smith, of Balt. co. Goldsborough, Waller, Moore, Tilghman,

Richardson, Grieves. Davis, Ford, of Cecil, Larrimore, Landing, Thomas, Harding, Bowlus, Root, Hanway, Bacon, McGonigal, Stirling, Rogers, McPherson,

NEGATIVE-None.

Smith, of B. city, Kennard, Crowley, Alexander, Grey, Schnebly, Duvall, Worthington, Thruston, Kilgour, Barnard, Mountz, McKinstry, Reindollar, Day, Dorsey-48.