

that it was not I who made the rules, nor was it my province to abridge them of their efficiency.

"My association with you has been of such a nature as to demand, that I should cherish for some of you, a warm affection, and for all of you, a high regard and profound respect;—to part from you then, must be under feelings of the most sorrowful character, which, in the unaffected sincerity of my heart, I assure you I do.

"In a short time you will leave this Hall to return to your accustomed avocations, some of you, never again perhaps to meet here or elsewhere on earth, a circumstance rendered more than probable by the vicissitudes which man, for wise purposes is destined to encounter;—if the ardent desire of my heart could strew your future path with flowers, already would they lay in your way. That your journey through this world may be illumined by sunshine, and attended by the hand-maids of happiness,—plenty and content, is the sincere wish of my soul, and that all your ways may be those of pleasantness and peace, believe me, is what I most devoutly desire.

"Reverently invoking the choicest blessings of the Supreme Ruler of the Universe upon you and your several families whose valued association you are soon again to enjoy,—I bid you, one and all,—a most affectionate farewell."

Henry Hobbs, Esquire, delivered the following message from the Executive:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

January 27, 1842.

To the House of Delegates,—

I have the honor to communicate a letter from Baring, Brothers and Company, respecting the interest due on the 1st instant, and unpaid, on the sterling bonds of the State of Maryland.

Very respectfully,

FRANCIS THOMAS.

Read and referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Forwood,

The house adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY, January 28th, 1842.

The House met. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill entitled, an act for the protection of Mechanics and others in Allegany county ;

And the bill entitled, an act to unite the trustees of Washington Academy and the Franklin School in Somerset county into one institution, to be called the Trustees of Washington Academy ;

Were returned to the Senate.