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We have appointed Messrs. Carroll, Jerome and Creswell to join the gentlemen named by your Honorable Body.

By order,

T. SNOWDEN THOMAS,
Chief Clerk.

Which was read.

Ordered, That it be entered upon the Journal that the Senator from St. Marys's county is detained from his seat by the condition of his family.

The bill entitled, *An act to fix the number of county commissioners for Frederick county, to make valid their acts, to repeal the 45th section of the 11th article of the Code of Public Local Laws, relating to advertising by said county commissioners, and to provide for the mode of advertising by said county commissioners for Frederick county,*

Was read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Eichelberger submitted the following message :

By the Senate,
December 17, 1861.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates :

We have received your message of this date, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to examine the vouchers which the Governor may submit for the expenditures of appropriations made by the act of 1860, to repair and furnish the Executive mansion, and for other purposes ; also to inspect and report the condition and wants of the Executive mansion, and have concurred therein.

We have appointed Messrs. Eichelberger, Goldsborough and Smith, a committee on the part of the Senate, to unite with the committee appointed by your Honorable Body for that purpose.

By order,

C. HARWOOD,
Secretary.

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

Mr. Goldsborough, of Dorchester, submitted the following message :