

By the Senate,
December 17th, 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 on the Senate, to unite with the committee appointed by your Honorable Body for that purpose.

By order,
C. HARWOOD,
Secretary.

Which were read.

Also, the following bill:

A bill, entitled, An act to repeal the act passed on the 24th day of June, 1861, chapter 79, entitled, an act to repeal the 41, 42, 43, 46, 47, 48 and 112th sections of the 63d article, and the 5th section of the 8th article, of the Code of Public General Laws, and the 741, 742 and 743d sections of the 4th article of the Code of Public Local Laws of this State, in relation to the uniformed and ununiformed militia and volunteer force in the several counties of this State and in the city of Baltimore, and the reclamation, custody, control and re-delivery of arms heretofore delivered to the officers and men under them; and to add to the said 63d article of the Code of Public General Laws a section providing for the prevention and suspension of proceedings upon bonds heretofore given under the laws of this State for the return of such arms;

Which was read the first time.

The following message was received from His Excellency, the Governor, by the hands of his Private Secretary:

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
December 18th, 1861.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

I herewith transmit a copy of a letter received this morning from General Foster, inviting the Legislature to attend a review of the troops at this post, to-morrow, at 10 o'clock.

THOS. H. HICKS.