

Thursday, January 3rd. 1839.

The Governor this day transmitted to the Senate the following message by the hands of Jos: H. Nicholson, Secretary of State.

To the Senate
of Maryland:

I have with me to submit for the consideration of the Senate, a list of the appointments I have made since the adjournment of the Senate on the 30th of March last, in virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution. I now nominate the several persons therein mentioned (or so many of them as it may be thought necessary to commission,) to be appointed, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to the offices respectively attached to their names.

John C. Groves having declined to accept the office of Secretary of State, to which he had been appointed by and with the advice and consent of the late Senate, on the 3rd day of April last I appointed John H. Culbuck to fill the vacancy. Mr. Culbuck resigned on the 6th day of October last, and on the 8th day of the same month I appointed Joseph H. Nicholson Secretary of State. Mr. Nicholson will continue to perform the duties of that office until the expiration of the term for which I was elected. It is drawing so nearly to a close, that I deem it unnecessary to present the nomination of Mr. Nicholson for the confirmation of the Senate. By his resignation and his being in no way to interfere with, or embarrass the proceedings of the present man, who has been elected to succeed me in office, and the Senate, in regard to the appointment of a Secretary of State for the year 1839.

I nominate James Renwick of Columbia College, New York, to be appointed, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one of the persons to estimate and fix, on oath, the value of the lands and mines of Buff Green and his associates, as provided for by the Act of Assembly of December Session 1838 Chapter 203 and George W. Featherstonhaugh, who declined to act.

Thos. W. Blasing.

Annapolis, January 3rd. 1839.

* Note. It is deemed unnecessary to record in next page referred to of the appointments & proceed upon this Journal. It may be referred to in the present Journal of the same date. P. 4.