

## A P P E N D I X .

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### Appendix A.

*Communication directed to the Hon. J. L. Kerr and Willam D. Merrick.*

GENTLEMEN:

As chairman of the committee I am instructed to call your attention to the following orders adopted by the House of Delegates, on the 5th of January 1842. In the discharge of the duty devolving upon them by this order, the committee deem it proper to address themselves first to you, and to request you to inform the House of Delegates, through them, for what reasons and under what circumstances the claims of Gen. Towson, your illustrious fellow citizen, were overlooked by the Senate, when they had under consideration the vacancy caused by the death of Maccomb, and confirmed the nomination of Gen. Wool of New York.

With great respect, yours, &c.

THOS. B. W. RANDALL, *Chairman.*

[Here followed a copy of the order.]

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### Appendix B.

*Communication addressed to Thos. B. W. Randall, Esq. Chairman of a committee of the House of Delegates of Maryland, &c.*

WASHINGTON, *January 24th, 1842.*

SIR:—Your communication of the 14th instant, directed to myself and the Honorable William D. Merrick, as “Senators in Congress,” was duly received. My first impulse, from a perusal of it, prompted me to make an immediate reply, protesting, unreservedly and emphatically, against the measure of authority, which seemed to be assumed over me, as a Senator of the United States; and yet I was not unwilling, but desirous rather, to afford to the House of Delegates of Maryland such lights on the novel inquiry, proposed by your letter, as I could impart, consistently with the grave