

Joseph Ford. These gentlemen receive pensions from the United States, which we conceive renders unnecessary the bounty of this state."

By order,

T. ROGERS, Clik.

Which was read. Also the bill authorising Philemon C. Blake, late sheriff of Queen Anne's county, to complete his collection; the bill to make public a road leading from Thomas Kell's farm in Baltimors county to David Lee's mill; and the bill to incorporate a company to open the navigation of Zachia Run, severally endorsed, "will pass;" ordered to be engrossed. Also the bill for the relief of William T. Bedford of the city of Baltimore; and the bill confirming to Edward Bromwell, senr. of Talbot county certain lots, severally endorsed, "will not pass." Also the resolution in favor of the clerks; and the resolution in favor of Daniel Richardson, endorsed, "assented to;" the resolution in favor of Thomas Harrison, endorsed, "dissented from;" and the following message:

BY THE SENATE. *January 3, 1812.*

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have considered your message requesting a re-consideration of the bill entitled, An act to alter, change and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government, which relate to the time and manner of electing the senate of this state, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body; and return for answer, that we have refused to re-consider said bill for the following reason: When that bill was before the senate it was read, debated and negatived in a full house. A member has since left the senate, and a decision might now be had contrary to the will of a majority of the senate. The impropriety of such a proceeding will doubtless present itself to you, without any further comment on the part of this house.

By order,

T. ROGERS, Clik.

Which was read.

The engrossed bills from No. 132 to No. 180 inclusive were severally read, assented to and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. L. Duvall the question was put, That the bill for the relief of John M'Faddon, be referred to the 1st day of August next? Determined in the negative.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the said bill, and on motion by Mr. Donaldson the question was put, That the following be added to the said bill, to wit:

"Provided, That nothing herein contained, nor any discharge granted by the county court of Baltimore, shall be construed to release or exonerate the said John M'Faddon from the payment of any claim, debt or demand due and owing from him to the state of Maryland, at the time of his application for the benefit of the said act and supplements?" Resolved in the affirmative. The question was then put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.