

BY THE SENATE, Jan. 2, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have received your message of to-day, proposing a conference between the two houses on a bill entitled, An act separating the business of the court of chancery, and authorising the holding sessions of the said court for the Eastern Shore, and for other purposes. We must on this occasion, in justice to ourselves observe, that on this and all other subjects which are presented for our consideration, we claim all the zeal and interest in promoting the best interests of our citizens which becomes the representatives of a free people. The senate have too high a regard for their own dignity, and too much respect for that decorum which ought to be observed in all communications between the two branches of the legislature, to notice that part of the message from the house of delegates, which insinuates that the complaints of the people as manifested through their immediate representatives, were treated with neglect or contempt by the senate; considering the bill to which your message refers, as deserving the most mature deliberation, and feeling anxious at all times to unite with you in whatever may appear the best means of effecting a public benefit, we accede with pleasure to your proposed conference, and have nominated Messrs. Lloyd, Tabbs and N. Williams, on the part of the senate, as a committee of conference to join the gentlemen who have been nominated by your house.

By order,

T. ROGERS, Clk.

The bill entitled, A further additional supplement to the act entitled, An act to erect Baltimore town in Balumore county into a city, and to incorporate the inhabitants thereof, was read the second time and will not pass. Sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The bill entitled, An act to alter the time of holding the county court of Harford county, was read the second time by special order, passed and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates returns the bill entitled, A further additional supplement to the act entitled, An act to direct descents; with the following message :

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Jan. 2, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We return you the bill entitled, A further additional supplement to the act entitled, An act to direct descents, under the hope that upon re-consideration you will pass the same. Some of the provisions of the bill are indispensably necessary in our opinion. The part of the bill to which it is understood the senate objects particularly, is that which provides for females under the age of twenty-one, and over sixteen, taking the lands at the valuation of the commissioners when they report that the same will not admit of a division. We hope that upon re-consideration, the senate