

In discussing the measures of the national government we should always bear in mind that the constitution itself was founded in compromise, and that excellent as it is acknowledged to be, it requires great moderation, forbearance and liberality on the part of the people towards the conflicting views, feelings, and even prejudices of each other, to preserve and perpetuate its blessings.

Confined by the peculiar nature of our government to measures of domestic policy and internal police operating only within the limits of our own State whilst the great and leading interests of the country, of which we are a component part, is committed to the management of a separate authority embracing the whole union in the sphere of its action, we do not deem it necessary to descend to particulars in the expression of our opinion of measures over which we have no controul.—But with the fullest reliance on the integrity, talents and experience of the functionaries to whom these great interests are entrusted, we rest with entire confidence that they will continue to be as they have heretofore been, so managed as to promote the general interest and prosperity, of the country and secure to us all the blessings and advantages which our incomparable system of governments was designed to secure and perpetuate.

During the past year we have been favoured with abundant productions of the earth, and a general prevalence of health throughout the country. Grateful for these blessings, let us look to Him with thankfulness, who, in his munificence bestowed them, and who formed, and can influence the human mind, to direct our attention to such public measures as may be best calculated to promote the real and substantial interests, and prosperity of the state. In all measures calculated to promote those ends, you will, assuredly have our prompt and zealous co-operation,

With the highest respect,

We have the honor to be,

Your Obedient Servant.

JOSEPH KENT.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock

Thursday, January 3. 1828.

The Senate met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read:

Mr. Harrison offered the following message which was read By the Senate January 3d, 1828.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The Senate have received your message of yesterday, pro