

excellency the Governor, a commission which officially informed me of my election to the Senate of the U. States for the term of six years from the 4th of March next.

This appointment emanating from the General Assembly, by whom I have heretofore been peculiarly favoured, demands my most grateful acknowledgements, and be assured this reiterated evidence of their continued and undiminished confidence at so momentous a period of our public concerns is highly gratifying, and can but serve as the strongest incentive on my part, for the future application of all the energies I may possess, for the accomplishment of their wishes, and the promotion of the best interests of the country.

Looking forward then with confidence to the continuance of that indulgent and generous support, which heretofore when occupying public stations, the General Assembly have so kindly extended to me, and which tended to sustain me under all circumstances, I accept with diffidence, though with the most grateful emotions, the appointment they have been pleased to bestow on me.

Favour me so far Gentlemen, as to accept for yourselves personally, and tender to the Honorable bodies ever which you preside, the assurance of my entire respect and esteem, and believe me to remain with great consideration,

Your Ob't Serv't,

JOSEPH KENT.

Mr. Page from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to explain an act entitled, an act to authorise Cornelia A. Howard, guardian of John E. Howard, of the City of Baltimore, to lease certain property therein mentioned, reported favorably thereon.

It was read the second time.

Mr Page from the committee, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to cause the owners of mills, at or near the public roads, in Dorchester and Allegany counties to erect side railings on bridges which they may have placed, or shall hereafter place on said roads, reported favorably thereon.

It was read the second time.