

On motion of Mr. Mayer, the bill entitled, an act for the relief of Andrew Hook, late of the city of Baltimore, which was returned from the house of delegates with an amendment, was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Mayer submitted the following message, which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Wootton, the bill, amendment and message were ordered to lie on the table:

By the Senate,

March 1, 1833.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have considered the amendment you propose to the bill originated in this body for the relief of Andrew Hook, and we would respectfully ask your reconsideration of the bill with a view to the propriety of receding from the amendment.

The condition which the amendment prescribes to the party, seems to us unusual, and may bear a construction seriously implicating his character, and indicating a suspicion of fraudulent designs of which no evidence has been offered. The amendment, too, would deprive him of the opportunity of making arrangements with his creditors, and of renewing his business, except under the discredit which the condition in question must necessarily attach to him in future life. We would also remark that the commissioners of insolvent debtors have ample power reserved to them by the bill for enquiring into any fraud that Mr. Hook may have committed and depriving him of the discharge if they shall find him guilty. We would also add that the amendment seems inconsistent with the policy and spirit which the legislature appears to have adopted by the act of 1830, chapter 130,

Under these views we beg leave to return to you the bill in question for your reconsideration.

Mr. Mayer from the committee on judicial proceedings, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act relating to certain trespasses on real estate, reported favorably thereon.

It was read the second time.

Mr Mayer from the committee to which was referred the bill entitled, an act to divorce Ann Elizabeth Aman-