The severity of the frost, which has delayed your express on his route, renders it uncertain what course I must take to pass to the other side of the Chesapeake Bay. I will endeavor to be at Annapolis, on my way to the seat of the Federal Government with all convenient despatch, delaying no further time than is absolutely necessary for my own private arrangements, preparatory to leaving home.

I have the honor to be Gentlemen,

With every consideration,

Your very faithful and obedient servant, Robert H. Goldsborough,

Near Easton, E. Shore of Maryland.

January 12th 1805.

The President also laid before the senate a letter from George C. Washington, Esquire, a member elect of the council, communicating his acceptance of the appointment.

Which was read, and on motion of Mr Forrest,

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Pigman from the committee on insolvency to which was referred the petition of Thomas B. Water man, reported a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Thomas B Waterman.

Which was read the first, and by special order the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third rea-

ding.

Mr. Morris from the committee to which the leave was granted, reported a bill entitled, an act to close certain streets within the depot of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, in the city of Baltimore.

Which was read the first and by special order the se-

cond time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Mayer presented the memorial of the meeting for sufferings from the yearly meeting of the religious society of Friends, praying the suppression of lotteries.

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Mayer.

Ordered to lie on the table.

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The bill entitled, an act to lay out and open a road in