

of charity over all the errors in this communication, and permit me to state, in concluding this message, that I do not wish to be considered as a candidate for re-election. In making this declaration, I do it with deep humility, by no means supposing, that any will have cause for regret, but I do so merely from the necessity of making known to you my determination. I have not the vanity to suppose, that such a declaration would be necessary, but as custom seems to have fixed the period of re-election to the extent of the legal term of qualification, I may be allowed to think, that the partiality of some friends would wish my continuance in office. In taking leave of you, permit me to return you my thanks for the high honor you have conferred upon me, and condemn me not for saying, that throughout my administration, I have acted with a single eye to the advancement of the honor, dignity and prosperity of the state.

I have the honor to be

With the highest consideration,

Your obedient humble servant,

GEORGE HOWARD.

Mr. Merrick submitted the following message:

By the House of Delegates,

January 3d, 1833.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We propose with your concurrence, to refer all that part of the annual message of the Governor, with the accompanying documents, which relate to the proceedings of the late convention of the state of South Carolina, to a joint committee; and have nominated on the part of this house, Messrs. Merrick, Johnson, Harper, Nicols, and Wright of Q. Anne's, as members of said committee.

By order,

G. G. Brewer, Cl'k.

Which was read.

Mr. Pratt moved to lay the message on the table—determined in the negative.

The question was then put, will the house adopt the message?

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Gantt,

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the Governor's message be printed for the use of the Legislature.

Mr. Jones reported a bill entitled, An act to confirm an act entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the constitu-