

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of this State be, and he is hereby authorized and required to pay to the president and trustees of the Hagerstown Academy, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, the annual donation which by resolution number forty-six, of December session, 1811, was made payable to them; but which said donation, the treasury by interpretation of section three of chapter 232 of the act of 1847, has since the passage of said act, withheld from said president and trustees;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Pierce, of Queen Anne's, from the committee on Printing submitted the following

REPORT :

The committee on Printing beg leave to report that in accordance with the instructions of this House they have communicated with a number of the leading job printers in this State, and have received replies from three of the parties, which are herewith transmitted, and offered as a part of this report. Several parties have failed to respond to our interrogatories.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ELIJAH PIERCE, Chairman.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC PRINTING,

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13th, 1864.

DEAR SIR:—Your letter making inquiry as to the cost of printing of the Journal of Proceedings, just received. I apprehend you mean the cost of composition per page.

It is difficult to estimate the exact cost to the Government, (per page) but the prices fixed by the laws of 1852 to be paid to the printers of each House under the old system was \$1.25 per page, containing 1850 long page, containing 1850 long primer ems.

Very respectfully yours, &c ,

WM. D. DEFREES,

Superintendent Public Printing.

HON. E. PIERCE,
Chairman Printing Committee,
Annapolis, Md.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12th, 1864.

ELIJAH PIERCE, Esq.,

DEAR SIR:—In reply to your inquiry in relation to the cost of printing the Journal for the House of Delegates,