

# REPORT

OF THE

## COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

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The Committee on Education, in obedience to the order of the House, of the        inst. directing them to devise a plan for the distribution of the Common Free School Fund, have given to the subject their attentive consideration, and in reporting the result of their deliberations, beg leave to state:

That deeming it unnecessary, and uncalled for, on the present occasion, to dwell upon the inspiring theme of education in general, or those striking and leading considerations which render it emphatically the duty of free governments to provide for the instruction of their youth, they will content themselves with the passing remark that, exhaustless as the subject is, and awakening as is the interest it will never cease to excite, enough has already been said and written, by others, in reference to it, to satisfy the public mind; nothing appears now to be wanting to insure to every child in Maryland, the inestimable blessing of a competent education, but the judicious application of the means already provided for that object, and such further augmentations of those means, as your Committee are warranted, by the general tone of public sentiment, in believing, will, in due time, be made.