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Fort to the other, is at least Eighty Miles; and find that the Waggon, which go from one Fort to the other, are obliged to pass the River Patowmack twice; and that for one Third of the Year they can't pass without Boats to set them over the River.

Your Committee have also made an Enquiry into the Condition of the Ground, where a Road may more conveniently be made through Maryland, from one Fort to the other, and are of Opinion, that a good Waggon Road may be made to go altogether on the North Side of Patowmack, which will not exceed the Distance of Sixty-two Miles, at the Expence of Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds Current Money, as may appear from the following Estimate, viz.

An Estimate of the Expence of Clearing a Road from Fort Frederick to Fort Cumberland, and the several different Stages.

For clearing a Road from Fort Frederick to Licking-Creek, 3½ Miles,.....	£.	0	0	0
From Licking-Creek to Poake's Creek, 8½ Miles,.....		12	0	0
From Poake's Creek to the Mouth of Sidling-Hill-Creek, 12 Miles,.....		16	0	0
For a Bridge over Sidling-Hill-Creek,.....		60	0	0
From Sidling-Hill-Creek to Fifteen-Mile Creek, 4 Miles,		22	0	0
From Fifteen-Mile Creek to Town-Creek, 15 Miles,...		140	0	0
From Town-Creek to Col. Cresap's a good Road 4 Miles,		0	0	0
From Col. Cresap's to Fort Cumberland wants no clearing 15 Miles,.....		0	0	0
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		£.	250	0

Your Committee are of Opinion, that a Road through Maryland will contribute much to lessen the Expence of carrying Provisions and Warlike Stores from Fort Frederick to Fort Cumberland; and will induce many People to travel and carry on a Trade in and through this Province, to and from the Back Country.

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All which is humbly submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House.

Signed p Order, Basil Dorsey, junior, Clerk.

Which was Read, and Ordered to lie on the Table.

Benedict Calvert, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker, the Bill, entitled, An Act for Destroying Squirrels and Crows in particular Counties; Indorsed, By the Upper House of Assembly, 15th December, 1758. Read the second Time, and will Pass.

Signed per Order, J. Ross, Cl. Up. Ho.