

by their Senator, Mr. Vickers, and by their Representatives, Gov. Swann and Mr. Hambleton, who, with Gov. Ponder, of Delaware, and Mr. Biggs, Representative of that State in the House of Representatives, accompanied them to the Department of the Secretary of War; that Secretary Belknap being unavoidably absent, they were very courteously received by General Humphreys, the official head of the Department. The subject of the mission was brought to the attention of the Department by Senator Earle, of our Joint Committee, in a clear and forcible speech, which set forth the advantages of the contemplated work, and presented it to the Department in its truly national character.

General Humphreys expressed himself as deeply interested in the subject, and solicited a copy of Senator Earle's speech for more mature consideration. This the Senator, at the solicitation of the Committee, wrote out and forwarded to the Hon. Thomas Swann, to be made use of to promote the success of this undertaking; and, deeply impressed with the importance of laying the information contained in the remarks of Senator Earle before the Legislature and the people of the State, your committee have solicited a copy, which they desire to have printed as a part of their report. They can but hope, from the views expressed by Senator Vickers and Representatives Messrs. Swann and Hambleton, and the deep interest manifested in the undertaking by General Humphreys, that the object of the mission will be accomplished, and appropriation be made by Congress to have the proper surveys executed. In view of the information contained in this speech, and the deep interest the subject is attracting in every part of the State, would suggest that a thousand copies be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the members.

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Committee on the part of the House of Delegates.

Which was read.

Mr. Polk, Chairman of a Select Committee, reported favorably,

A bill, entitled an Act to repeal section 21, of Article VII., of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Carroll County," sub-title "Justices of the Peace and Constables," and to reenact the same with amendments.

Which was read a first time.

Mr. Spencer, Chairman of a Select Committee, reported favorably,