

REPORT.

The Committee of Conference of the two Houses, to whom had been referred the action of their respective Bodies upon the Joint Resolutions introduced in relation to the statue of Chief Justice Taney, beg leave to report the following Joint Resolutions as the result of their Conference, and recommend their adoption:

WHEREAS, It is proper and right, that the public services of so good and great a man as the late Chief Justice Taney, should be cherished and preserved in the memories of our people, and kept before the youth of our State, as eminently worthy of their emulation.

Be it Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a Joint Special Committee of three on part of the Senate, and four on part of the House of Delegates, be appointed to request the Committee appointed under the Act of the General Assembly, A. D., 1867, chapter 51, to appear in the Hall of the House of Delegates on the 17th day of March next. And that the Joint Special Committee be also authorized to secure the services of some distinguished citizen of Maryland, to deliver an oration on the life and public services of the late Chief Justice; and

Be it further Resolved, That the said Special Committee be instructed to invite the Governor, the Judges of the Court of Appeals, the Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, and other high officials of the States; as also the family and relatives of the late Chief Justice, to be present on the occasion.

JOHN MERRYMAN,

Chairman on the part of the House.

The Report was adopted, and the Resolutions were read a first time.

Mr. Loane, from the Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the memorial from the Trustees of the Washington University, for aid from the State to assist in paying a mortgage, reported unfavorably thereon, and the report was concurred in.

Mr. Groome, Chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill entitled an Act to confirm the devise and bequest of Benjamin Parsons, late of Wicomico county, deceased, to the Vestry of Spring Hill Parish, for certain uses and purposes therein named, reported favorably thereon.

Said bill being upon a second reading,