

and its representatives to public freedom and the liberty of the citizen. How noble a part Chief Justice Taney bore in those controversies, and how largely his necessary official influence upon them was increased by his exalted character and illustrious qualities, the people of Maryland and their representatives do not need to be reminded. To develop, in connection with all this, and in a fitting way, the moral of a great and stainless life, devoted alike to private and public duty and virtue, is a task well worthy of the highest faculties and literary culture which no one fit to discharge it would willingly assume without ample opportunity for that thorough study and analysis which it demands.

The Committee have, therefore, not been surprised to find that the shortness of the period within which the preparation of the contemplated address would be circumscribed by the brief session of the General Assembly, will render it impossible for them to fulfil the wishes of your Honorable Bodies, by the selection of a competent person willing to undertake the duty.

Believing it due, as well to the State and its representatives, as to the memory of the illustrious dead, that the tribute proposed by the Joint Resolutions, should rather be foregone altogether than imperfectly rendered, and yet unwilling to lose to the youth of our State the advantage of the lessons inculcated by his life, your Joint Committee have concluded respectfully to request your Honorable Bodies to continue its functions, that at the next session of the General Assembly the purposes of these Joint Resolutions may be executed in a proper and befitting manner.

JAMES T. EARLE,
WILL H. TUCK,
EDWARD LLOYD,
Committee of the Senate.

JOHN MERRYMAN,
GEORGE FREANER,
JAMES MCCOLGAN,
Committee of the House.

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Seth, Chairman on the part of the House, of a Joint Select Committee, (the rules being suspended,) submitted the following

REPORT:

The Joint Committee appointed by the Senate and House of Delegates to visit and inspect the institution for the Deaf and Dumb, located at Frederick, Maryland, beg leave to report as follows: