On the part of this House, we have appointed Messrs. Merryman, Freaner, McColgan and Groome, to join the gentlemen who may be named by your Honorable Body, to compose the Committee contemplated by the first resolution.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD, Chief Clerk.

Whereas, The Governor of the State, in his message to the General Assembly, has suggested that the statue of the late Chief Justice Taney, now located in the Capitol Grounds, be formerly handed over to the State by the Commissioners appointed under the Act of the General Assembly of 1867, Chapter 71.

Therefore, Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a joint Special Committee of four, on the part of the House, and three of the Senate, be appointed, to request said Commissioners to appear in the Hall of the House of Delegates, on the 17th day of March next, and that upon the occasion, S. Teakle Wallis, Esq., the Chairman of said Commission be invited to deliver an oration upon the life and public services of the late Chief Justice.

Resolved, That said Committee be authorized to make all necessary arrangements to carry out the above resolution.

Which were read the first time, and

On motion were referred to Messrs. Earle, Tuck and Lloyd.

Mr. Davis submitted the following message to the House of Delegates:

BY THE SENATE,

January 14th, 1874.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We propose, with the concurrence of your Honorable Body, the appointment of a Joint Committee of three from the House of Delegates and two from the Senate, to visit the Maryland Asylum, at Spring Grove, in Baltimore county, and to report to the two Houses as to the condition of said Institute; the manner in which it is conducted, and what steps are necessary to protect the State's interest therein.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Davis and Steiner.

By order,

Augustus Gassaway, Secretary.