

and upon our arrival there, we had the honor to pay our respects to his Excellency J. L. Kemper, Governor of Virginia, and to deliver to him a letter informing him of the object of our mission, and requesting him to inform the General Assembly of Virginia that we awaited their pleasure and convenience as to the time and manner of its execution.

His Excellency forthwith sent a message, with a copy of our letter, to the two Houses of the General Assembly of Virginia, and a Joint Committee, consisting of two Senators and three Delegates, was appointed to tender us the privileges of the floor of the two Houses, and to arrange for the presentation of the Resolutions of the General Assembly of Maryland.

In accordance with the Report of the Joint Committee, adopted by the two Houses, the Senate and House of Delegates of Virginia assembled in the Hall of the House of Delegates, in Joint Session, on Wednesday, the 18th instant, when we were formally received with a most cordial greeting and welcome, by the President of the Senate, who presided at the Joint Session, and we had the honor, then and there, to present to the General Assembly of Virginia the Resolutions of the General Assembly of Maryland.

We have the honor further to report, that our reception by his Excellency the Governor of Virginia, by the Joint Committee of the two Houses, and by the General Assembly in Joint Session, by the members of the two Houses individually, and by the citizens of Virginia at their Capitol, many of whom called upon us, was in every respect marked by every indication of consideration, and with most warm and cordial expressions of friendly regard for Maryland and her citizens, and of desire for an amicable adjustment of the matter in controversy.

We have the honor to remain,

With high consideration,

Your obedient servants,

JAMES U. DENNIS,

JOHN W. DAVIS,

ISAAC D. JONES.

Which were severally read.

On motion of Mr. Valliant,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Claims to introduce a bill to pay to the order of the Trustees of the late Colored Peoples' Church in Oxford Neck, Talbot county, destroyed by fire while occupied as a school-house for the edu-