

Remarks of Mr. Waters.

Mr. President :

It is with a feeling of profound sadness, that I arise to lay a modest unpretending flower, but nevertheless a very sincere tribute of respect upon the bier of our lately departed brother Senator.

My acquaintance with Mr. Talbot commenced very shortly before the opening of this session of the Senate. But since he came here, and until he was stricken down, I have had frequent, I may say, almost daily opportunities of seeing and measuring the man.

From the proximity of this seat, which is now covered with the habiliments of mourning, to mine, I was probably more frequently consoled by him, in regard to matters concerning his duties here, than perhaps any other Senator on this floor.

I found him to be a man of modest and rather retiring manners, but of painstaking and methodical habits, a conscientious and faithful representative of his people, and a courteous christian gentleman. I know of no one, who has in so short a time, more impressed me with his modest worth than our departed brother. And it is but a fitting tribute to his memory that I should say so.

No praise, however deserved, that we can bestow can reach him. Nor can flattery soothe the dull cold ear of death. But it is due to the memory of our brother Senator, it is due to one who so deservedly occupied a seat in this body, it is due to ourselves and the dignity of the Senate of Maryland, that we should give suitable and proper expressions of the sorrow this occasion inspires.

I second the adoption of the resolutions and move they be spread upon the journal of the Senate.

The resolutions submitted by Mr. Hayes were adopted.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Mr. Seibert, from a Select Committee, reported favorably, the following bills :

House bill entitled an Act to regulate the compensation of registration of voters in Carroll county.