

Mr. Miller, from the Committee on Federal Relations, submitted the following Resolution:

Senate Joint Resolution in relation to Samuel Chase Barney, Ex-Lieutenant of the United States Navy:

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States be, and they hereby are requested to use their influence to procure the restoration of Samuel Chase Barney, Ex-Lieutenant of the United States Navy, to the retired list of said navy.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Bannon, from the Joint Committee on Public Buildings, submitted the following

REPORT.

To the Honorable,

The Senate and House of Delegates :

The Standing Committee on Public Buildings of the Honorable, the House of Delegates and the Senate, respectfully report, that acting as a Joint Committee of your Honorable Bodies, they have carefully performed their duties, and as a result of their labor, submit to the Honorable, the Senate and House of Delegates, this, their report:

First.—Your Committee visited the House of Refuge, situated near the limits of the City of Baltimore, and found no person present who could give the information wanted, the managers having some time ago dispensed with their former superintendent, the superintendent *pro tem.* was not present, your Committee proceeded to carefully inspect the buildings and grounds, and found the buildings in very indifferent repair, and not suited for the purposes of a Juvenile Reformatory.

The walls of the cells were cold, clammy and damp. The heating apparatus being totally inadequate to heat the building with any degree of comfort; the building was erected over twenty-seven years ago, when heating and ventilation was not so thoroughly understood as now. The institution is supported by the City of Baltimore and the State,—the former giving twenty thousand dollars per annum for the support of two hundred boys; the latter giving fifteen thousand dollars per annum without regard to the number of boys there was in the institution. When your Committee visited it two years ago there were two hundred and fifty-six boys. There are now two hundred and thirty-three boys,—thirty-three chargeable to the State and two