Mr. Snowden submitted the following Message:

By the House of Delegates,

January 21st, 1876.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your Message proposing the appointment of a Joint Special Committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, to visit the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at Frederick, the House of Reformation and Instruction for Colered Children at Cheltenham, Prince George's county, and examine into the condition of those Institutions, and report by bill or otherwise, and we concurtherein.

We have appointed on the part of the House, Messrs. Snowden, Gordy and Bird.

By order,

MILTON Y. KIDD, Chief Clerk.

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

The Secretary of the Senate delivered the following Message:

BY THE SENATE,

January 19th, 1876.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We propose with the concurrence of your Honorable Body, the appointment of a Joint Special Committee of seven, three on the part of the Senate, and four on the part of the House, to visit the House of Refuge, and the Maryland Penitentiary, and to examine into their condition, the manner in which they are conducted, and to report to the two Houses.

We have appointed on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Humphreys, McCulloh and Suit.

By order,

AUGUSTUS GASSAWAY,

Secretary.

Which was read.

Mr. McWilliams submitted the following Message:

By the House of Delegates, January 21st, 1876.

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