

ests and concerns of the state, as have occurred to us during the present year, as worthy of being presented for your consideration.

We proceed in the first instance, to give you a detail of our acts and proceedings, under the several resolutions and laws, passed at the last session of the general assembly, conferring upon us various powers, and devolving upon us a variety of duties, accompanied by such observations on each subject, as seems to us proper, and necessarily connected therewith.

As requested by the general assembly, we forwarded to each of our senators and representatives in congress, a copy of each of the following resolutions, viz:—(No. 11,) declaring “that the congress of the United States, does possess the power, under the constitution, to adopt a general system of internal improvements, by means of roads and canals, as a national measure.” (No. 12,) declaring “that for the purpose of electing the president and vice-president of the United States, the constitution ought to be so amended, that a uniform system of voting by districts, shall be established in all the states; and that the people in those districts shall have the right of voting, directly, for those officers;” and “that the constitution ought to be further amended, in such manner as will prevent the election of the aforesaid officers from devolving upon the respective houses of congress”—and requesting the said senators and representatives, “to use their ex-