

Having understood that the attention of the general government has been seriously turned to an examination and consideration of the fitness and propriety of the establishment of a Navy Yard in the city of Baltimore, and believing that the result of the enquiry cannot but be favorable, we look forward with considerable confidence, to the attainment of that desirable object

Immediately upon the adoption of the resolution, appointing "a joint committee consisting of one member from the senate, and two (members) from the house of delegates, to visit the legislatures of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, to confer with those bodies respectively, upon the measures best calculated to prevent the absconding of slaves from this state, and of securing their recovery,"—being informed by the gentlemen constituting the committee, that they would set out without delay upon their missions we addressed a letter to the governor of each of the said states; a copy whereof is herewith submitted, together with the report of the committee, which has just been received.

By this report and the accompanying documents, we have the gratification to find, that with the legislatures of Delaware and Pennsylvania, the committee succeeded in obtaining the passage of laws well calculated to effect the very important objects of their mission.

The legislature of New Jersey not being in