

ved sundry proposals, both for the sale of warehouses and of vacant lots; upon deliberate consideration, we on the seventeenth day of June last, determined to accept the offers of Williams & O'Donnell, Cumberland Dugan, and Moses Sheppard, herewith submitted. Williams & O'Donnell and Moses Sheppard have complied with their respective contracts, and conveyed the property offered by them to the state; but Mr. Dugan has declined to fulfil the contract for the property offered by him. We submit for your consideration the correspondence that has passed between Mr. Dugan and us relative thereto, that you may have a full understanding of the whole subject, and determine whether the contract shall be abandoned, or legal proceedings instituted against Mr. Dugan to enforce his compliance—no hope being left of settling the business any other way.

Under the act making it our duty "on or before the first day of August next, (now last), to procure and deliver to the levy courts of each of the several counties in this state, a standard of each of the several kinds of weights and measures, used at the custom house in the city of Baltimore," we applied to the collector of the customs in that city, for information on the subject, and a list of all the weights and measures used in his office. And having obtained from that attentive officer the information and list asked for, we consulted with a gentleman of