

deposite and transshipment—the bay affording a communication with the Atlantic sea-board; and the canal, connected as it is, with the whole chain of Pennsylvania works of internal improvement, and affording the most convenient highway to market for the various products of the interior of that State, will annually bear down to the town of Havre de Grace, as its out-let port, immense quantities of iron, wheat, corn, coal and lumber.

And whereas, these advantages of position are in a great measure counterbalanced by certain obstructions to the navigation of the Susquehanna, a short distance below Havre de Grace, in the form of sand-bars across the channel of the river, by which vessels drawing more than eight feet water are unable at low tide, to enter said port.

And whereas, upon an application from this General Assembly, an appropriation was heretofore made by Congress, for the purpose of a survey of the headwaters of the Chesapeake; and under said appropriation a survey was made of the Harbor of Havre de Grace, in the year eighteen hundred and thirty six, by G. W. Hughes, Esq., United States Civil Engineer, and reported to Congress at the session of that year; and where, as it was stated in said report, that the obstructions to the navigation herein mentioned might be removed, so far as to admit the passage at extreme low tide, of vessels drawing ten feet water, at a cost of \$58,000; and to admit vessels drawing twelve feet water, at a cost of \$72,000; and the propriety of an appropriation from Congress to remove said obstructions was respectfully suggested.—Therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress, be requested to use their exertions to obtain the passage of a law by Congress, making the necessary appropriation to remove certain sand-bars at the mouth of the Susquehanna river, obstructing the passage of vessels of large burden to the port of Havre de Grace.

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor, be respectfully requested to forward a copy of these resolutions and preamble to our Senators in Congress, and to our Representatives hereafter elected.

Which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Smith, chairman of the select committee, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act for the relief of Normand Bruce, sheriff of Allegany county, reported the same without amendment;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Waters, of Somerset,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.