Mr. Waters, of Somerset, submitted the following message:

By the House of Delegates, March 2nd, 1844.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a joint committee to contract for the printing of the laws of the present session, and concur therein. We have appointed Messrs. to join the gentlemen

named by the Senate. Which was read.

Mr. Calvert offered as a substitute for said message the following:

By the House of Delegates,

March 2nd, 1844.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We have received your message proposing the appointment of a joint committee to contract for the printing of the laws of the present session. This House has a standing committee on printing, consisting of Messrs. Calvert, Bowdle, Potter, Weber, Levering, Shriver and Naill, who are appointed to join the gentlemen named by your honorable body, or such others as you may please to name, to contract for the printing of the laws, and to report the terms of the contract to their respective Houses for concurrence.

By order,

George G. Brewer, clerk.

Which was read.

Mr. Johnson moved to lay said message and substitute on the able:

Resolved in the affirmative.

The House then resumed the consideration of the order of the day, being the bill reported by Mr. Wootten, chairman of the committee on Internal Improvement entitled, an act to provide for the completion of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal to Cumberland,

and for other purposes;

The question before the House being upon the motion of Mr. Poultney, to reconsider the vote of the House on the 21st instant, upon the amendment offered by Mr. Calvert, and adopted by the House, to strike out in the 15th line of the first section, the words "two millions," and inserting in lieu thereof, "one million five hundred and forty-five thousand."

After debate thereon.

Mr. Phelps moved to strike out the enacting clause of the bill; Pending this motion and after debate thereon.

The House adjourned until Monday morning 12 o'clock.

By order, Joseph H. Nicholson, Clk