

pointed to examine into the condition of the Government House, and the furniture therein, delivered the following

**REPORT :**

The joint committee of the two Houses, appointed to examine into the condition of the Government House and the furniture therein, beg leave to report, that they have carefully performed the duty required of them, and find the house itself in very bad condition, and requiring an immediate appropriation to preserve it from further injury.

Your committee desire most particularly to avoid recommending in the present state of our finances, any expense not absolutely required, but from a sense of duty they cannot consent to see the public property destroyed for the want of a timely appropriation. In regard to the furniture, there is a very great deficiency of all the more necessary articles, and although they cannot at this time advise an appropriation which would furnish the House in a style of elegance, still they believe, that is the wish of all, that the Chief Magistrate of the State, should have the comforts of life, and they therefore recommend the adoption of a resolution appropriating \$3000, to be expended under the direction of the Governor elect, in making the necessary repairs to the buildings, and in providing such furniture as he may deem necessary.

SAM. HAMILTON, Jr.

WM. D. BOWIE,

WILLIAM ROBERTS.

GEO. S. HOLLYDAY,

CHAS. B. CALVERT,

OSBORN SPRIGG.

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer be authorised and directed to pay out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, to the order of the Governor elect, or his order, the sum of three thousand dollars, for repairs and furniture for the Government House.

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time ;

On motion of Mr. Hollyday, of Cecil,

The resolution accompanying said report, was amended by adding at the end thereof, the following proviso :

“Provided, the articles purchased for the use of the Government House, be as far as practicable of domestic manufactures and the handiwork of the Artizans and Mechanics of the State of Maryland.”

Mr. Ware moved further to amend said resolution by striking out “three thousand,” and inserting in lieu thereof “two thousand;”

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put, on concurring in the report of the committee, and assenting to the resolution therein contained ; and

Determined in the affirmative.