

save the situation up to the present time and your memorialist has done its best to assist them it is respectfully contended that in view of the fact that the General Assembly is now in session it is due to the Commissioners who have been asked by the Governor to represent the State of Maryland, that they should be provided by appropriation with sufficient funds, when added to the private subscriptions, to enable them to give to Maryland at the two expositions the dignified position to which she is entitled in competition with other States.

## V.

That it is the judgment of both Commissions that Maryland should be represented at the Charleston Exposition by an attractive and dignified State building and it is proposed, if the State appropriation is made, that the larger part of it shall be employed in building and maintaining such a building, because it is considered that the important trade relations between the State of Maryland and the Southern States justify such an expenditure, but it is designed also that the agricultural and mineral resources of the State and, if practicable, the sea food and canning industries of the Eastern Shore shall be fully advertised at Buffalo; and that arrangements shall be made for a "Maryland Day" at both Expositions.

That, as will appear from an inspection of the bill herewith presented, it is provided that the appropriation if made shall be expended under the joint direction of the two commissions and the names composing said commissioners give all necessary assurance that it will be expended in a discreet, economical and effective manner, but the bill provides the usual safe guards for an orderly conduct of the affairs of the commission in relation to said appropriation.

Your memorialist therefore says that the prompt passage of the bill making the appropriation is of the greatest importance to the interests of the people of the entire State and in view of the fact that the bill has no political significance, that it cannot await the regular session of the General Assembly, but if passed at all must be passed at once, and that a failure to pass it now would greatly prejudice the welfare of the State, your