

Mr. Goldsborough, of Talbot, moved that the blanks be filled with three.

The President appointed Messrs. Goldsborough, of Talbot, Yellott and McKaig.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the following Message:

*By the House of Delegates,*  
January 6th, 1860.

*Gentlemen of the Senate:*

We propose, with the concurrence of your Honorable Body, the appointment of a joint select committee, to consist of three members of each House, on the Maryland Penitentiary, to proceed to Baltimore and make a thorough examination of the entire affairs and condition of the same, and that they have full power to send for persons and papers, and examine witnesses under oath, and make a report to this House.

We have appointed Messrs. Goldsborough, Maxwell and Denison, of Baltimore city, as members of said Committee, on the part of this House.

By order,  
MILTON Y. KIDD,  
Chief Clerk.

Which was read.

Mr. Watkins submitted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, There have been great complaints from agriculturists from different sections of the State, with reference to the quality of inspected manures purchased by them; and *whereas*, it has been stated that the inspections of manures in this State have not been of a reliable character; Therefore,

*Be it Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine the inspections of manures sold in this State, and that they have power to send for persons and papers, and examine witnesses, under oath, and report to this House.

Which was read the first time, and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. Heckart submitted the following message:

*By the Senate,*  
January 9th, 1860.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:*

We have your message, proposing with the concurrence of this body, to appoint a joint select committee, to consist of three members of each House, to proceed to Baltimore and