

LEGISLATURE OF MARYLAND.

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IN THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES;

JANUARY 30th, 1830.

MR. TEACKLE offered the following message; which was twice read, assented to, and sent to the Senate for concurrence, viz:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES—*January 30, 1830.*

Gentlemen of the Senate:

Considering the public instruction of youth in Primary Schools, upon a general and systematic plan, to be a concernment of the highest import to the good people of this State; and considering that more than two-thirds of the counties have adopted, by their votes, the act of 1825, ch. 162; and considering that the avails of the free school fund, with the revenues arising under the acts of 1817, ch. 16 and 93; and the dividends from capital invested in virtue of resolution No. 38, passed at December session, 1825, are of greater relative amount, than the appropriations for Common Schools in the State of New-York, where more than five hundred thousand of the rising generation are freely instructed in useful knowledge, without distinction or discrimination; and considering that additional aid for education may be soon expected from the United States, as contemplated by the resolution herein referred to, as well as from the liberal distribution of the proceeds of sale of the public lands; and considering that the earliest practical application of the beneficial influences of literature, to every county and neighborhood, would well comport with a due extension of the fostering care and parental regard of this general assembly, to the primary interest of their constituents; and considering that a personal view by a deputation of their respective branches, might contribute essentially to a proper understanding and appreciation of the great advantages of this improvement, and tend to the diffusion of salutary information throughout the country. We propose with the concurrence of your honorable body, to appoint a committee to consist of one member from each of the