

RESOLUTIONS
OF THE
STATE OF DELAWARE,
RELATIVE TO A
SURVEY OF THE SEA COAST.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message, relating to the opening of a Canal between the waters of the Chesapeake and Delaware Bays, have given to the subject that consideration which its importance demands; and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in General Assembly met, That this Legislature fully accords with the sentiments of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, as expressed in the following resolution.

“Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the extension and security of the coasting trade of the States of Virginia, Delaware and this State, would be effectually promoted by the opening of a safe and direct navigation through the sounds which run parallel with the sea coast, and by the construction of such Canals as may be requisite for the purpose, between the Chesapeake Bay, at or near Cape Charles and Lewistown Creek, on the Bay of Delaware, and that the co-operation of the States interested in the improvement, be immediately invited to this object.”

Resolved by the authority aforesaid, That James B. Mecombe, Solomon Prettyman and Henry F. Rodney, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to act jointly with such commissioners as may be appointed by the States of Maryland and Virginia, to survey and lay out a suitable scite or scites for such Canal or Canals, as they may deem necessary for carrying into effect the meaning and spirit of the foregoing resolution.