

REPORT
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS.

To the Honorable

The Legislature of Maryland:

Whereas, by Resolution No. 45, of December session 1831, an appropriation was made for the removal of the impediments in Chester river, under the direction of sundry Commissioners, appointed by Resolution No. 72, of December session 1829. And whereas, under said resolutions it becomes necessary for said Commissioners to report to your honorable body—now, in pursuance to said resolutions, we do respectfully set forth:

That we deem said appropriation utterly insufficient for the accomplishment of the objects of the aforesaid resolutions, owing to a variety of circumstances—to wit:

1st. The report of the amount necessary was predicated on the ground that the State should own the necessary machinery.

2d. The scarcity of machinery essentially necessary for such work—consequently having to be brought a considerable distance, and at a heavy expense:

3d. The utter impracticability of removing just as much earth as may be necessary for the accomplishment of the object.

4th. The contingent expenses arising from loss of time, and accidental breakage.

Under these circumstances, as well as the report of the Engineer, your Commissioners have no hesita-