

Road, by which it will be seen that no part of the sum appropriated by the second section of the said act can be expended in the repair of the said road, east of the river Ohio, until the same shall be surrendered to, and accepted by the States, respectively, through which said road passes.

With the highest respect

we have the honor to remain

your obedient servant,

JAMES THOMAS.

Communication from the Secretary of War to his Excellency the Governor.

His EXCELLENCY JAMES THOMAS,
Governor of Maryland,
Annapolis, Md.

DEPARTMENT OF WAR, }
Washington, 4th March, 1835. }

SIR,—

I enclose you a copy of the Cumberland Road Bill, passed at the late session of Congress.

You will see that its third section requires that the whole road, east of the Ohio River, should be accepted by the States respectively, through which it passes, before any part of the appropriation shall be expended. I have therefore the honor of bringing the subject to your consideration, that it may be submitted to the Legislature of Maryland, should the action of that body be necessary, or should the existing law contain the necessary provisions, that your Excellency would give directions, that the assent of the State to the condition prescribed by the act, should be transmitted to this Department.

The appropriation was predicated on estimates prepared to complete the repairs of the road, in the manner originally contemplated.

I have the honor to be, sir,

very respectfully,

your obedient servant,

LEWIS CASS.