

Speech of the several Counties in this State a Standard Speech of the several
Kinds of Weights and Measures, used at the Customs House in the City of
Baltimore; we applied to the collector of the Customs in that City, for inform-
ation on the subject, and a list of all the Weights and Measures used in
his office. After having obtained from that attentive Officer the information and
list asked for, we consulted with a Gentleman of experience in such matters,
to whom we referred us, and have employed a Workman in the proper materials,
to manufacture the several Weights and Measures required, who has been several
Months engaged in that business, and we are informed will not have them ready
for delivery, at an earlier period than the month of February next, hence it
will be seen to comply with the Law, a still more was impracticable. When
the Weights and Measures shall be obtained, we will cause them to be delivered
as directed, without delay.

We have not yet procured an entire and complete set of the
Manuscript or printed Votes and Proceedings of the several Conventions held
antecedently to the formation of the State Government, and each branch of the
Legislature as authorized and required by Law. Mr Jones Green, of this
Place, was supposed to be in possession of such a set, which it was understood
could be obtained for the State. But upon examination, it was found that
he had none of the former, and that several Volumes were wanting to
complete his set of the latter. Mr Green has offered us his set, as it is,
but we have declined purchasing it, until we can ascertain, whether we
can obtain an entire and complete set, or that part in which his is
deficient.

We were gratified to find that the Legislature had turned
its attention towards, perfecting the early records of the State, so indispensably
necessary to its correct history. Nothing is more gratifying or useful
to a people, than a thorough knowledge of the transactions of their ancestors;
and we would respectfully recommend to the General Assembly to perse-
vere in the attainment and preservation of the means by which this
desirable information may be acquired; in which we will, with
pleasure cordially co-operate.

We caused the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the
Public instruction of Youth in primary Schools throughout this
State," and also the several Acts providing for alterations or amendments
of the Constitution, to be published in such and so many Newspapers
as we deemed necessary to give to the people of every part of the State,
information of their important provisions, and an opportunity to exercise,
understandingly, the Veto upon the first named Act, which was referred
to them; and the influence in the final determination upon the others,
to which they are Constitutionally and justly entitled.

We are not apprised of the whole result of the Votes of the
people, upon the primary School system, presented for their consideration.
We have understood, however, and believe, that it has been approved
and adopted by a large Majority of the Counties, whilst it is known
that it has been rejected by some of them. It is believed that little or
no difference of opinion exists amongst the people as to the Value and
importance of education, or the propriety and more especially necessity,
of a general diffusion of the blessings and advantages of its just, and