

and highly valuable services of those Officers during the late War with Great Britain. They have but recently been ordered. The delay has been occasioned by a desire to procure, before ordering them, all their information and aid in our power, necessary to having them designed correctly and executed in a manner worthy of the State, and corresponding to the merits of the gallant Officers for whom they are intended.

Under the Resolution relative to a "States Map," John A. Alexander Engineer, was, in a May last, appointed and Enquired to examine and collect all their information, plans, and reports of Harbors, for Canals, Rail Roads, and other public works, which have been made by, or under the authority of the State, or any company incorporated by the State, or under the authority of the Corporation of the City of Baltimore." And under the Resolution relative to a Geological Survey, Doctor Julius T. Quate was, at the same time, appointed and assistant, to act in conjunction with said Engineer, and to make the necessary geological researches, and report to us upon the expediency and probable cost of a Geological Survey of the State." The Report of these Gentlemen has not been received, but we have been informed by them that it is in preparation, and will shortly be ready to be submitted to your consideration.

In pursuance of the Resolution authorizing and requesting us to contract for the re-building of the Centre division of the State Tobacco Warehouse, No. 2, in the City of Baltimore, and for such other repairs as might be found requisite to put the said Warehouse in complete repair, in a May last, we employed Mr. Muel Murphy, a builder of experience and competency, to superintend the said work. Mr. Murphy's report and account have just been received. He has finished the centre building, but has not been able to complete the necessary repairs to the other parts of the Warehouse, on account, as he states, of the quantity of Tobacco ~~in it~~ which could not be removed until the completion of the centre division. At the same time, we appointed Jeremiah L. Boyd, another builder of competency and experience, to examine the Roof of the State House, and report to us what repairs were necessary to remedy its defects, and for the preservation of the building. At a subsequent Session we received Mr. Boyd's report, and employed him to re-cover the Roof with Tin, and to make the repairs to the same necessary for the preservation and safety of the House. We had the most explicit assurance from Mr. Boyd that he would have the work completed before the meeting of the Legislature, but in this we have been, in part, disappointed.

Under the Resolution directing us to have the arms in the several Armories cleaned and put in good order, we deemed it necessary and proper to have an authentic Report of their condition before proceeding to carry the Resolution into effect, and for that purpose instructed the Adjutant General, whose duty it was made by the Resolution, to inspect the arms, to have such inspections made and Report to us
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