

In compliance with the request of the General Assembly, we transmitted to His Excellency the Governor of Virginia, a copy of the Report of the Special Committee of the last House of Delegates, and of the Resolutions with which it concludes, in relation to the Southern and Western boundaries of this State, which were adopted and passed by the last General Assembly; and we herewith submit for your consideration the correspondence which has passed between Governor Frazar and us, upon that subject.

You will receive herewith the annual Report of the Directors of the Institution, which has been sent to us at a late period, the Directors have not been able to give it an attentive examination. The institution being one of great importance, the Report will, of course, claim and receive your deliberate attention.

It is with regret that I have to inform you of the death of Captain Jacob Schumck, late of the United States Army, to whom the last General Assembly had directed a sword, with suitable devices and ornaments, as a testimony of the high sense entertained by his native State, of his distinguished and gallant services to his Country on the Northwestern frontier, during the late War with Great Britain. We understand that Captain Schumck has left a Widow, and a daughter, his only child. Under these circumstances, it has not been thought necessary to procure the sword directed by the Legislature, to be presented to that meritorious Officer, and we respectfully recommend an appropriation in some form better suited to the ^{present} condition and situation of the family of the deceased.

The sword which we directed by the Resolution of the last General Assembly, to be procured and presented to Captain Edmund Kennedy, of the United States Navy, as a testimony of the high sense entertained by his native State, of his distinguished and gallant services to his Country, in the memorable action with the Tripolitan Gun Boats of Tripoli, in August eighteen hundred and four, has been ordered but not yet received. Application to the artist was delayed to too late a period for the sword to be made and finished, in a suitable and appropriate manner, in time to be presented before the commencement of your Session, in consequence of the desire felt to obtain from the particular friends of Captain Kennedy, such information and advice as would enable to furnish the artist with suitable and appropriate devices and ornaments to be engraved upon the sword.

Very soon after the passage of the Resolution of the last General Assembly, requiring the Governor to have full length likenesses painted by a native artist of this State of the late Samuel Chase, William Paca, and Thomas Stone, John B. Bordley was employed to execute said paintings. His report of progress in the work is herewith submitted.