

In Council Annapolis January 6

Gentlemen
We deem it our duty at this time to call the attention of the Legislature to the state of the public buildings in this city. Many years have elapsed since any appropriation has been made for repairs rendered necessary by natural decay and many other causes which do not in so great a degree affect the property of individuals. We are of opinion that a liberal appropriation should be made for the purpose of preserving the State's property, and more particularly the State House and the adjacent buildings. If a sum sufficient for a complete repair of this property should be granted, there can be no doubt it would ultimately prove to be a more substantial economy than annual appropriations inadequate to the object, and which can neither be usefully or advantageously applied. To this subject we would most earnestly call the attention of your honorable body.
The Honble the General Assembly

We have the honor
Charles Ridgely of Hon

Sir
In Council Annapolis February 6 1817
I have the honor of enclosing to your Excellency certain Resolutions adopted by the Legislature of Maryland respecting runaway negroes which I request you to lay before the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the Governors of Pennsylvania & Delaware.

Charles Ridgely of Hon

Sir
In Council Annapolis February 6 1817
I have the honor to inform you that John A. Nease Esquire, is duly commissioned and appointed as Agent on behalf of the State of Maryland to liquidate and adjust the States claim against the United States for Militia expenses incurred during the late War with full power to conclude any arrangement upon this subject. I beg leave to introduce him to your notice.
The Honble George Graham
Acting Secretary of War

I have the honor
Charles Ridgely of Hon

Sir
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By the direction of the General Assembly of Maryland I do myself the honor of transmitting to your Excellency the enclosed Resolutions and have to request that you will communicate them to the Legislature of the State over which you preside accompanied by such remarks as you may think best calculated to further the views of the General of Maryland.
His Excellency the Governor of Pennsylvania

I have the honor
Charles Ridgely of Hon