

Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of War, in reply to an application for an Engineer to survey a route for a Canal to connect the Pocomoke Bay with Sinepuxent Bay and Tangier Sound.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, July 15th, 1829. }

To His Excellency

DANIEL MARTIN,

Governor of Maryland, Annapolis.

Sir:—Your letter to the President, of the 13th instant, with its enclosures, relating to the survey of a route for a Canal to connect Pocomoke River with Sinepuxent Bay, and Tangier Sound, has been referred to this Department; and in reply I have the honor to state, that the present engagements of the officers by whom this service might be performed, are such as to render it impracticable to detail one for the purpose at this time, or probably during the present year. Your letter will be placed on file, and the subject kept in view, unless the survey in question should be made by the State of Maryland, before it will be in the power of the Department to comply with your request.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Very respectfully your ob't. serv't.

J. H. EATON.