

to make provision at the present session for the completion of the Monument, that the necessary contracts may be entered into.

And while on this subject allow me also, in behalf of the Managers, to renew the application I have before made, in the belief of its justice, (if not positive right, according to the construction of the law entertained by us,) for the sum lately paid into the Treasury, as stated above, it being only a part of the balance due the Managers under the act of last session, as derived from the lotteries of the year 1827; though it did not come into the commissioners' hands till the present year. As, however, the construction put on it by you is different, and has induced you to refuse the payment of that sum of 3,500 dollars, I respectfully request, in behalf of the Managers of the Washington Monument, that you would submit the question to the legislature, whose construction of their own laws we shall feel bound to bow to.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your's very respectfully,

ROBERT GILMOR, Pres't
of the M. W. M.

GEORGE MACKUBIN, Esq.
Treasurer of the Western Shore.

Baltimore, 4th January. 1830.

Sir,—A long and painful indisposition, from which I have not yet recovered, has prevented me from reporting to you agreeably to annual custom, the proceedings of the Managers of the Washington Monument.

By my last report of the 26th December, 1828, you will see the balance of funds remaining at the disposal of the Managers was only

\$14,444 12

Part of this being safely employed at interest produced

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Early in January last, Col. Stuart was paid for work done on the