

lotteries is pledged by law &c. &c., beg leave to refer to the accompanying communications from the Commissioners of Lotteries, and the Treasurer of the Western Shore to whom they addressed letters of enquiry, on that subject. Your committee ask that the accompanying documents may be printed, and herewith report a resolution such as they think, under all circumstances, proper for adoption.

All which is respectfully submitted,

THOMAS BURCHENAL, Chairman,
Committee on Lotteries.

J. D. Reid, Clerk.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to interfere, at this time, with the system of State Lotteries.

Letter from the Commissioners of Lotteries, to Messrs. S. Scribner & Co. Agents for Messrs. Yates & McIntyre, contractors for State of Maryland Lotteries.

Office of the Commissioners of Lotteries,

Baltimore, January 26th, 1835. }

TO Messrs. S. SCRIBNER & Co.

Agents for Messrs. Yates & M'Intyre,

Contractors for State of Maryland Lotteries:

Gentlemen:—

The commissioners of lotteries being about to make a communication the committee of lotteries of the House of Delegates, in reply to a call of that body, and being desirous to present nothing which cannot be fully and fairly established, request that you will give such answers to the following charges, set forth in a memorial presented to the Legislature, as you may have it in your power to do, relying only upon such data as may fully sustain such answers, should you be called upon to substantiate the same. These charges are extracts from the said memorials, and stand in numerical order.

Respectfully, your ob't serv'ts,

WM. R. STUART,

E. HUGHES,

J. S. WILLIAMS.

1st. "The inherent unfairness and inequality of the game (of lottery speculations,) that in the most favorable aspect and including all chances, the risk is against the adventurer about in the proportion of 3 to 2."