

The committee on ways and means report in part, that the chairman of the committee being desirous, at as early a day as possible, to place the committee in possession of such information as would develop the condition of the State, in reference to its public debt, and the probable deficiency of the treasury for the current year, addressed a letter to the Hon. Francis Thomas, President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, and to the Treasurer of the Western Shore. The committee deeming the information contained in the answers to the letters of their chairman of great importance, consider it a duty which they owe to the House of Delegates, to report the same without delay. They are therefore, herewith submitted, and marked documents A. and B.

All which is respectfully submitted.

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Chairman.