

laws, and resolutions of the last and current session of the legislature, and reports the following resolutions.

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the Treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby required to pay to Gideon Pearce, or to his order, five hundred dollars in satisfaction of his claim for preparing an index to the laws and resolutions of this state from the year 1826, to 1829, inclusive.

Resolved, that the Governor and Council, be, and are hereby authorised to contract for the making of an index to the laws and resolutions of the last and current session, for such compensation as to the Governor and Council may seem proper.

Resolved, that the Governor be, and is hereby authorised to draw on the Treasurer of the Western Shore in favor of such person or persons as the governor and council may contract with, for printing an index to the laws, which has been made by Gideon Pearce, and also for the cost of preparing and printing an index to the laws and resolutions of the last and current session of the legislature whenever the work shall have been completed and delivered into the Library

The joint committee on the State Library, to which was referred so much of the executive communication as relates to the laws of different states and territories, have had the same under consideration and submit the following report.

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised to forward annually to the executive of each state and territory in the union, three copies of the laws, annually passed by the general assembly of this state; and also to forward such of the compilations or editions and annual session laws of this state, as have been, or may hereafter be requested by the executive of any of the said states or territories, and also to forward to each of the said executives, one sett of the reports of decisions in the court of appeals of this state, now published, and which hereafter shall be published; and request of the said executives such of their laws and reports as may not be in the State Library.

Further Resolved, That the Governor and Council be, and they are hereby authorised to purchase any of the laws necessary to enable them to comply with the foregoing resolution; of which there are no spare copies in the State Library, and to draw on the Treasurer of the Western Shore for such sum as may be necessary for that purpose.

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES F. MAYER, *Chairman.*