

ryland, to report when the Cumberland or National Road is in that state of repair contemplated by law, for the State of Maryland to receive and to collect tolls to keep it in repair.

On mature reflection, we are decidedly of opinion that that section of said road, from Bruce's Burnt Tavern, five miles west of this place, to Heckratt's, seventeen miles west of this, (which is a distance of twelve miles) requires an additional stratum of metal of not less than six or eight inches in thickness, to be put on it.

We presume it will be necessary to have the entire road completed, which is within the limits of this State, before the Commissioners will be authorised to receive any part, or to report it in a state to be received.

J. Hoyer, one of the Commissioners, made a report to the Secretary of War, stating the fact that, unless the road was put into that perfect state of repair contemplated by law, and the conditions on which a part of the location of the road was changed, were fully complied with, that we must report against the State receiving it.

We shall report fully to the legislature of the State in a few days, and we will recommend an appeal to Congress on the subject.

The fact is, unless the road is put into a perfect state of repair, the low rate of tolls, authorised to be collected, will not keep the road in repair.

We remain, respectfully,

Your most obedient,

JOHN HOYE,
M. FROST,

Commissioners of the State of Maryland.

[No. 3.]

Cumberland, December 12th, 1834.

Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War.

SIR,

As one of the Commissioners appointed by the legislature of Maryland, to report to the Governor and Council of said State when that part of the national road, within the limits of this state, shall have been repaired, agreeable to the provisions of the law of the State agreeing to receive, that part of the road laying