

under such restrictions and limitations, as you may deem necessary.

In compliance with the direction of the laws relating to the Penitentiary, I lay before you the Annual Report of the Directors of that institution, exhibiting its operations for the past year, and the present state of its concerns.

The several proposals for furnishing stationary for the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Government for the ensuing year, which have been received by the Clerk of the Council, in virtue of a resolution of the General Assembly, are herewith submitted for your consideration.

The accompanying communications from the respective Executives of the several states of Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Delaware, with copies of letters from this department to each of said Executives, and an opinion of the Attorney General, upon one of the subjects of said correspondence; and also a Report and Resolutions of the General Assembly of New Hampshire, and a communication from the collector of the port of Baltimore, stating a difficulty which has occurred, in relation to the inspection of tobacco from other states, passing through Baltimore to other markets within the United States, are submitted for your consideration, and such action on them respectively, as you may deem necessary and proper.

The several laws and resolutions of the last General Assembly, conferring authority and directing the performance of specific duties by the Executive have been duly attended to, and the wishes of the Legislature complied with.

By a resolution of the Legislature, my predecessor in office was directed to procure (amongst others which have been delivered as ordered) a sword with suitable devices to be presented to the late gallant Capt. George W. Rogers, of the Navy, for his good conduct during the late war. Before the sword was completed, this gentleman departed for a foreign station to take command of a squadron—he, alas was destined never to return, and this memorial of his services and worth still remains in the Executive chamber, awaiting the direction of the Legislature, as I did not feel myself authorised to make any disposition of it after the decease of the individual for whom it was intended.

I have thus endeavored, rather to prompt your action upon some important subjects, than to urge them for adoption under my views. Some of my ideas are perhaps, totally erroneous, but at this period, when there is about to be a separation between us, I hope that you will draw the veil