

March
Twentyfirst
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Mr. J. B. E. Powell,
Farmington, Delaware.

My dear Sir:

I have your letter enclosing clipping,
and have noted the same.

Very truly yours,

GOVERNOR.

essary.

The vote by which the House killed two bills was reconsidered and the bills restored to the calendar. One of the bills reconsidered was Senator Murphy's which provides that at least three of the school commissioners of the Farmington school district shall be freeholders. The other bill reconsidered was Representative Francis's bill increasing the salary of the county engineer of New Castle County which was killed Tuesday afternoon.

Mar. 21st 1919

Hon. John G. Townsend,
Dover, Del.

Dear Governor: When the act incorporating the town of Farmington was approved March 15th 1909 the population was 166 the population March 1 1919 was 91 with eight unoccupied residences. The store stores - carrying groceries in 1909 now carry solicited a variety & quality that town folk & farmers go to Harrington, Greenwood & Milford to do the bulk of their buying - The town Court appropriation of \$2000 per annum amounts to \$2000.

about 1000 to 1200. taxes have been collected if any levy of taxes for 1918 tax-payers have not been presented with a bill - there has been a very few action in handling the more than three thousand dollars need for town Court & taxes we have never had any police protection from hard cider rowdyism in fall - we have not had street lights since last August & for more than two years since town was incorporated a damage suit against the town so very poor would submerge tax payers notwithstanding conditions W.W. Day a. a. Kirk & G. W. Langford of the Town Commission schemed to have Senator Murphy secure \$400 from town Court & this likely to contract for Electric lighted streets which costs \$75 per month - I had a petition signed by more than twenty tax payers asking a repeal of the 1909 incorporat' act - sent the paper to my brother ex-judge Walter H. P. and in Dover, he returned it after the Sen. Murphy bill was slung, but since the "Ripper" bill was killed the House took up the Senator Murphy bill - clipping herewith - your vote may each would be the right thing
Very Truly
J. B. R. Powell

The town Board of Commissioners has been made a report of receipts & disbursements - tax-payers & town Court an entitled to a report of general conditions with the \$3000 of them. Perhaps a specific appropriation was made by the Board of Commissioners.