

thing should be done to guard against such distressing occurrences and protect the human family—therefore,

Ordered, that the chair appoint a committee of five, whose business it shall be, to enquire into this subject and report to this house by bill or otherwise.

Which was twice read and adopted;

In pursuance whereof, the speaker appointed Messrs. Risteau, Parker, Lemmon, Gallagher and Hughes to compose said committee;

On motion of Mr. Orrick, said committee was enlarged to seven by adding thereto, Messrs. Orrick and Simmons.

Mr. Hughes, chairman of the committee on colored population, made an unfavorable report upon the petition of Nace Bacon, a free man of color, praying the passage of an act to authorise the clerk of Anne Arundel county court to grant certificates of freedom to his wife Rachel and her children;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, and concurred in.

Mr. Frazier moved to suspend the rule of the house, for the purpose of taking up the preamble and resolution submitted by Mr. Blocher on the 17th ult., in relation to authorising the Treasurer of the Western Shore to provide gold and silver to pay the per diem of the members of the General Assembly;

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Frazier, the yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:—

**AFFIRMATIVE.**

Messrs. Tuck, Speaker	Turner, of Balt.	Alexander
Hopwell	Kerr	Harrison
Ford	Denny	Townsend
Usilton	Boyle, of Tal.	Selby
Welch	Jump, of Tal.	Hearn
Gale	Adams	Powell
Brown	Lemmon	Carter
Iglehart	Frazier	Boon
Simmons	Goldsborough	Turner, of Car.
Sollers	Parker	Jump, of Caro.
Duke	Simpers	Giles
Beall	Bowie	Hillen
Hughes	Ghiselin	Gallagher
Carpinter	Coombs	White
Matthews	Swann	Dawson—45

**NEGATIVE.**

Messrs Parran	Geyer	Rentch
Kent	Ent	Blocher
Orrick	Cramer	Huddleson