

Mr. Heath asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled an act relating to the electors of President and Vice-President of the United States. Ordered, that Messrs. Heath, Nelson and Dennis, be a committee to prepare and report the same.

Mr. Thomas appeared in the Senate.

Mr. Whitely, from the committee, to whom was referred the bill to authorise George Reed, William Whitely, and William K. Lockwood, as trustees of Caleb Lockwood, to sell the unexpired term of service of certain negroes in the State of Delaware, reported that the committee, had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that the bill ought to pass, with the following amendment, viz: at the end of the bill add - "and the said trustees are required to take from the purchaser a bond in the penalty of one thousand dollars, with good and sufficient security residing in this State, with condition that said negroes shall not be removed out of the State of Delaware during their term of service; and said bond shall be recorded in the Clerks office of Caroline county Court, and either of the persons named in this act, or either of their heirs, executors or administrators, shall have power to demand a certified copy of the same; upon which they, or either of them may maintain an action in any county court of this State—and the damages recovered, after paying all expenses of said action shall be held in trust by the person so recovering, for the use and benefit of the negro or negroes removed from the said State of Delaware; and so much of said damages as may be necessary, shall be used in discovering and bringing back the negro or negroes removed: Provided, That after the term of service of said negroes shall have expired, they shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges in this State, as if they had continued to reside and had become free therein."

Which amendment was read the first time, and with the bill, ordered to lie on the table.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates delivered the following message, which was read.

By the House of Delegates,  
January 4th, 1830.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

We propose to appoint a Joint Committee on the Library, and have, on the part of this House, named Messrs. Done, Steele and Yoe, to join such gentlemen as shall be named by your honorable body, to carry into effect the object of the laws establishing a State Library.

By order,

Gideon Pearce, Clk.