

the committee, shows that the Chancellor most scrupulously conforms to those decisions and has been deemed by solicitors even too rigidly to have adhered to those decisions as imperative dictates for his government.

It is believed by the Committee that the Chancellor has complied with the Act requiring his delivery of opinions according to his sincere construction of his duties under it. But after examining the opinions submitted to them, the Committee would remark that they would interpret the law as requiring a fuller exposition of his reasons and of references to authorities forming the basis of his decisions, than those opinions would imply that he believed to have been expected from him. The Committee do not ascribe any imperfection in this particular to any disposition of the Chancellor to shun the labor of more extended argument or unwillingness to gratify the views of the Legislature or serve the just interests of the suitors of his Court.

The Committee accordingly prays to be discharged from the further consideration of the matters committed to them.

CHARLES F. MAYER.

Chairman of the Committee on part of the Senate.

Mr. Mayer from the committee on judicial proceedings, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act for the advancement of justice, reported that the committee had had said bill under consideration and were of opinion it ought to pass, with the following amendment,

Which was read and assented to.

Add as an additional section:

And be it enacted, that if this act shall be confirmed by the General Assembly of Maryland after the next election of delegates to the General Assembly, at the first session after such new election as the constitution and form of government of this State directs in such case, this act and the provisions thereof, shall constitute and be valid as a part of said constitution and form of government to all intents and purposes.

The bill was then read the second time.

Mr. Emory from the committee on coloured population, to which was referred the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of the infant children of William Riley, late of Kent county, deceased, reported that the committee had had said bill under consideration and were of opinion it ought to pass with the following amendment,