

act laying duties on licenses to retailers of dry goods, and for other purposes," passed at December session, 1821;—this suit has not yet been brought to trial.

By virtue of the resolutions, No 29 and 73, we contracted with William D. Beall, George Brown, Isaac Hines, Henry Hobbs, and Joseph Mayo, esquires, for the recording, under the superintendence of Thomas Culbreth, Esq: clerk of the council, "of the papers remaining unrecorded in the chancery office, and which should have been placed on record by Samuel H. Howard, Nicholas Brewer, James P. Heath, and Thomas H. Bowie, Esquires, late registers in chancery. The work is now rapidly progressing, and will shortly be completed; by which a mass of chancery proceedings and papers, that it is ascertained will make upwards of fifty large record books, and from which the title to much real estate is derived, will be preserved.

By virtue of the authority vested in us by the resolution No. 34, we appointed Mr. Washington G. Tuck, to purchase such furniture as was necessary for the chamber occupied by the court of appeals; limiting him in his expenditures to the sum appropriated by the resolution, (which we placed at his disposal) and requesting him, in the execution of the trust, to consult and advise with Thomas Harris, Esquire, clerk of the court. Mr. Tuck reports to us that his expenditures have ex-