

The bill entitled, an act to change the name of George Augustus Clarke of Allegany county to George Augustus Duncan Clarke.

The bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Baltimore Murray Institute.

The bill entitled, an act to incorporate the German Washington Beneficial Society of Baltimore and State of Maryland;  
Severally endorsed "will pass;"

Severally ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill entitled, an act for the relief of Thomas Barthelow, and others.

Endorsed, will pass with the proposed amendment :

Amendment proposed :

At the end of the bill add :

"Provided, That before the said Barthelow, Cocks and Becroft, shall be entitled to the benefit of this act, they shall first pay all costs and charges that have accrued in Carroll county court, or to the sheriff of said county;

Read the first and by special order the second time, assented to and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The Secretary of State delivered the following communication from the Executive :

STATE DEPARTMENT,

Annapolis, January 12th, 1843.

To the Honorable

The General Assembly:

In pursuance of the resolution of your honorable body, I communicated a copy of it to each of the counsel who conducted on the part of the State, in the Court of Appeals, the cases brought up from the decision of the Tax Appeal Court of Baltimore, and have herewith the honor to submit the reply of two of them, declining the engagement proposed by the resolution.

FRANCIS THOMAS.

SIR,—We have had the honor to receive your communications, one addressed to each of us, enclosing a copy of a resolution passed by the Legislature, in reference to the employment of counsel in the tax cases now pending in the Supreme Court of the United States.

However flattering it would be to represent the State of Maryland before that tribunal, we respectfully decline the engagement under the circumstances stated in the resolution.

With high respect,

We are your obedient servants,

BENJAMIN C. HOWARD,

ALBERT CONSTABLE.

His Excellency, FRANCIS THOMAS,

Governor of Maryland.

Washington, January 11, 1843.