

Be it therefore resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the President of the United States be respectfully requested to reinstate Commander William J. Belt to the station he held in the American Navy, and from which he was dismissed by the sentence of a Court Martial, in the year 1842 ;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, assented to, and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ghiselin,

The House took up for consideration the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to authorise Josias Hawkins, administrator of Philip A. L. Contee, deceased, to bring certain negro slaves into this State ; and

Mr. Yellott chairman of the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act for the benefit of Mary Brown, reported the same without amendment ;

Which were read the first and by a special order the second time passed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Yellott chairman of the same committee, reported a bill entitled, an act for the relief of Cornelius Payne of St. Mary's county ;

Mr. Franklin reported a bill entitled, an act for the relief of William W. Hoff ; and

Mr. Ghiselin chairman of the committee on Colored Population, reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise Joseph Sprigg to bring certain slaves into this State ;

Which were severally read the first, and by a special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Ghiselin chairman of the committee on Colored Population, to which was referred the bill from the Senate entitled, an act to authorise Josias Hawkins, administrator of Phillip A. L. Contee, deceased, to bring certain negro slaves into this State, reported the same with the following amendment.

Amendment proposed.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That the said Josias Hawkins, administrator as aforesaid, at the time of making said list or lists and filing the same with the clerk of the county court, shall pay to said clerk the sum of fifteen dollars for each slave between the age of twelve and forty-five years of age, and the sum of five dollars for each slave under twelve and over forty years of age, so as aforesaid, brought into this State by him, to be by said clerk paid into the Treasury of this State, for the use and benefit of the Colonization Society of Maryland ;

Which was read the first and by a special order the second time, the amendment concurred in, and the bill passed, and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Yellott, chairman of the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, in compliance with the several orders passed by the House in relation to the judiciary delivered a report ;