

being them to England. He then proceeded to defend himself from the charge of inconsistency which had been brought against him, in having once abused the very man whose bones he now intended to honour. This he did by urging the plea of immaturity of judgment and want of experience at the time he attacked Paine, and because Paine was then supporting the enemies of his country. Conscious that he had done Paine an injustice in his early days, he was willing, on his return to America, to listen to a suggestion of Mr. Benbow's to bring his bones to England. His remains had been dishonoured in America, though he was the founder of her independence, for he was the first man to propose the declaration against England, and the proposal was opposed by the celebrated Dr. Franklin. With respect to his object in bringing these bones to England, it was to have them exhibited in London to as many persons as might choose to come to see them. He intended to do every thing he could to raise a sufficient sum, in order that a colossal statue may be erected to Paine's memory; and, if he lived, he hoped to see the statue.

At 11 o'clock in the evening, after having sufficiently regaled themselves upon the unwholesome liquors of the country, the company retired privately.

It may perhaps be proper to copy here a few lines of Paine's address a few years ago, when he wrote his life. He concludes thus:

"How I am getting a living now, or what it brot me inhabits. I know not, nor does it much signify. He has done all the mischief he can in the world; and whether his carcass is at last to be suffred to rot on the earth, or to be dried in the air, is of very little consequence. When ever I or whoever he breathes his last, he will excite neither sorrow nor compassion; no friendly hand will close his eyes, not a groan will be uttered, not a tear will be shed. Like Julius, he will be remembered by posterity; men will learn to execrate his base, malignant, treacherous, unnatural, and blasphemous, by the single monosyllable—Paine!"

"W COBBETT."

The meeting of citizens which took place at the Court House yesterday afternoon pursuant to public notice, was very respectable, but not so numerous as the importance of the subject had induced us to expect. A great diversity of opinion appeared to exist, and so many speeches were made for and against the propriety of presenting a memorial to Congress, urging the necessity of restricting the further admission of slavery into the territory west of Mississippi, as detained the meeting to a late hour before the question was decided.

A majority of the citizens who attended the meeting were decidedly in favour of sending the memorial; and it was highly gratifying to observe that many, perhaps all those who spoke against the measure, expressed themselves as decidedly favourable to the abolition of slavery; but contended that the question, as to the restriction, ought of right, to be decided by the people of each new state, that might be admitted into the Union.

Fed Gazette.

A meeting of the Naval Officers on the New York station, was held on Thursday last, on board the U. States ship Washington, to take into consideration the subject of providing a fund for the benefit of those widows and orphans of officers who may fall in battle. A committee of thirteen was appointed to ascertain the best mode of carrying their object into effect; and a committee of three to obtain the signatures of officers desirous of joining the association.

The following gentlemen composed the general committee—Com. Isaac Chauncey, Samuel Evans, Captain George W. Rogers, Lieutenants F. H. Gregory, John H. Aulick, Joseph G. Hall, (marine corps) Drs. Samuel R. Marshall, Benjamin P. Kissam, Rev. John Ireland, Purser G. S. Wise, jun. sailing master F. Maury, Mr. Joseph Watson, and midshipman Edward C. Rutledge.

Committee to receive signatures: Lieutenants F. H. Gregory, M. C. Perry, and midshipman E. Barwell.

Phil. Union.

New York, Dec. 27.

COLONIZATION.

The committee appointed at a late meeting to take measures for the colonization of the free blacks,

have chartered the ship *Bliss*, which lies at the foot of Liberty Street, to carry out such as are willing to embark. There are already 30 persons engaged to go from here, 50 from Philadelphia, and 70 from Virginia. They contemplate fixing the establishment at a place called Sherrborough, 100 miles south of Sierra Leone, in a fine climate and fruitful soil. A ship of war will convoy them. This plan requires the assistance of all persons interested in the project, and the committee will call on them for donations in money, clothing, provisions, agricultural instruments, furniture, or any thing useful, and a person is appointed to be on board of the *Eliza* to receive donations.

Nat. Adv.

MARYLAND GAZETTE.

Annapolis, Thursday, Jan. 6.

To Delinquent Subscribers.

The Editor is constrained to appeal to the justice of his Subscribers; to many of them this paper has been regularly and punctually sent for several years, and for which he has not received a cent. He would ask, Is this just? Is it honest? He hopes this appeal will not be disregarded. The mail affords a convenient opportunity to all, and he will willingly incur any risk of remittance through that channel.

THE COURT-HOUSE.

Gentlemen who have obtained signatures to the memorial praying the erection of a Court House for Anne-Arundel county, are requested to send them immediately to the Clerk of the County.

PROCEEDINGS
Of the Agricultural Society of Maryland.

The Agricultural Society of Maryland, agreeably to the provisions of their constitution, met in the city of Annapolis, on Wednesday the 15th inst. After the usual business was transacted the President presented to the Society a communication from Dr. Joseph E. Munn, of Dorchester county, Md. on the merits of gypsium, which was read. The Society resolved that the President request the editors of the *American Farmer*, *Maryland Gazette* and *Maryland Republican*, to publish in their respective papers, Dr. Munn's learned and very ingenious communication.

Judges were appointed to examine the articles offered for exhibition, who awarded premiums to the following persons:

To Mr. Jonathan S. Eastman, for his improved straw cutter. This instrument was so much approved of, that the patent right for Anne-Arundel county was purchased by a company of gentlemen present.

To Mr. Arthur T. Jones, of the Eastern Shore of Md. for an instrument consisting of a plough and harrow united, well calculated for putting in grain on corn ground.

To Mr. Christopher Jackson, for a bull 2 years old, of a good size & fine proportion.

To Mrs. James McCubbin, for the best woollen carpet.

To Mrs. Watkins, for a piece of very good carpeting.

To Mrs. Hart, for a fine rug, of good material and handsome colours.

To Mrs. Sears, for the same.

To Miss Frances Fowler, for the same.

To Miss Stalling, for an excellent counterpane, and some fine vest patterns.

To Mrs. Gambrell, for a counterpane, very fine and of handsome figure.

To Miss M. Murdoch, for a down hat, ingeniously made and handsomely decorated.

To Mrs. Eliza Warfield, for the best woollen stockings and gloves.

To Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, for a pair of uncommon fine knit cotton stockings.

Mr. Thomas Chase exhibited some very large cauliflower from his farm, near Annapolis; one of which weighed 19 lbs. with the leaves, and 7 lbs. when stripped of them.

Some of Wood's patent ploughs, made at the foundry of general John Mason, near Georgetown, were exhibited. These ploughs were highly thought of on account of the ease with which the beam might be raised or lowered, & particularly on account of the excellent form of the cast iron mould board.

At 2 o'clock the Society adjourned, and assembled again at 5 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of

hearing an address, (delivered by V. G. Maxcy, Esq., member of the Society, in the chamber of the Institute of delegates; agreeably to a request made by the Society at their last meeting. After Mr. Maxcy had concluded, the following resolutions were proposed and assented to:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Society be presented to Mr. Maxcy, for the able and eloquent address delivered before them.

Resolved, That the Secretary apply to Mr. Maxcy for permission to publish his address, and if it be obtained, to cause two hundred copies of the said address to be published for distribution, under the direction of the President.

T. H. CARROLL, Sec'ry.

An Abstract
Of the Proceedings of the
Legislature of Maryland.

SENATE.

Monday, Dec. 27.

Appeared in the Senate chamber, Mr. Spencer, President, Mr. Jackson and Mr. Parham, who adjourn until tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

Tuesday, Dec. 28.

The same members as on yesterday. Mr. Emerson, Mr. Gale and Mr. Howard, appeared, who adjourn until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

Wednesday, Dec. 29.

The bill to incorporate the trustees of the Federal Hill Sunday School, was read the second & third time, and passed.

Thursday, Dec. 30.

On motion, Resolved, That the Executive communication of the 23rd inst. covering the annual report of the Inspectors of the Maryland Penitentiary, for the present year, be referred to consideration of the house of delegates.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered the following bills: A bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the executors of Henry Straus, late of Montgomery county, deceased; a bill introduced by Richard Moffitt, late sheriff of Queen-Anne's county, to complete his collections; and an additional supplement to an act to incorporate the Union Insurance Company of Maryland; which were read.

On motion, Ordered, That the bill first to come in an act passed at November session 1795, entitled, An act to incorporate an Insurance Company in Baltimore town, be referred to a special committee, and that Messrs. Carmichael, Howard and Maxcy, be the said committee.

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The bill for the benefit of Wilson Carey Selden, of the State of Virginia, was read the second and by special order the third time and passed.

The bill to incorporate certain persons therein named for the purpose of establishing a free school called M-Kim's School in the city of Baltimore was read the second time, and on motion, referred to a special committee. Ordered, That Messrs. Howard, Parham and Maxcy, be the said committee.

Friday, Dec. 31.

The bill for the benefit of the Reformed and Evangelical Lutheran Church on Silver Run in Frederick county, called 'St. Mary's Church,' was read the second and by special order the third time, and will pass.

On motion of Mr. Gale the following orders were adopted:

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's communication as relates to the arsenals and public arms, be referred to Messrs. Emerson, Howard and Jackson, to consider and report thereon.

Ordered, That so much as relates to the communication from the Governor of Pennsylvania, be referred to Messrs. Gale, Carmichael and Parham, to consider and report thereon.

Ordered, That so much as relates to the violation of the law regulating the licensing of Brokers, be referred to Messrs. Carmichael, West and Gale, to consider and report thereon.

Ordered, That so much as relates to education and public instruction, be referred to Messrs. Maxcy, Jackson and West, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to incorporate the trustees of a Methodist meeting house in Queen-Anne's county, and for other purposes, was read the second and by special order the third time and will not pass.

The bill authorizing Richard Moffitt late sheriff of Queen-Anne's county to complete his collections, was read the second and third time by special order and will pass.

The bill for the relief of Lambert W. Ford, James Christie and Edmund Brown of Cecil county, was read the third time by special order, when Mr. Gale prayed to be excused from voting thereon, as having been engaged as counsel against some of the parties, which was granted. The question was then put, "shall this bill pass?" Determined in the negative.

The bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of building a bridge over the river Susquehanna was read the second and by special order the third time and will pass.

The bill for the benefit of the heirs of John Thomas late of Harford county, deceased, was read the second and by special order the third time, and will pass.

Mr. Howard from the committee to whom was referred the bill to incorporate certain persons therein named for the purpose of establishing a free school called "M-Kim's School" in the city of Baltimore, reported the same, with certain amendments, which were adopted, the bill was then read the third time by special order as amended and will pass.

Mr. Carmichael from the committee reported a bill, entitled, An act for the better regulation of the clerks and registers of wills of the several counties in this state, which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1820.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following resolutions:

By the House of Delegates,
Dec. 31, 1819.

Resolved, That the committee of claims order to be paid by the treasurer of the western shore, to each witness attending this house, or that may attend under subpoena issued in the Calvert contested election, on demand, five dollars for his itinerant charges in coming, and on any witness being discharged, and proving his attendance, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for every day he may have attended the house.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to his excellency the governor, or his order, the residue of the sum now remaining in the treasury appropriated under a resolution of the last session for the purpose of furnishing the government house.

Which were read the first and by special order the second and third time; assented to, and sent to the house of delegates.

Also the following bills: An Additional Supplement to the Act for founding an academy at Hagars-town, in Washington county; a bill for the relief of Ann Branson and Ally Buckler of St. Mary's county; a bill to prevent the erection of booths within two miles of any Methodist camp or quarterly meeting in Harford county; and a bill for the relief of the infant legatees of Jacob Franklin; which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the executive delivers a communication, transmitting a copy of a work entitled "Rules & Regulations for the field exercise and manœuvres of infantry, compiled and adapted to the organization of the army of the United States, agreeably to a resolve of congress, together with an accompanying letter from William H. Merriam also a letter from William H. Armstrong, to obtain a cession of jurisdiction to the United States, over certain portions of territory for the purpose of erecting works of defence and improving some of

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