CHANCERY,
6th February, 1838.
Carter Crittenden
vs.
Hooper, William Van Dalsen,
William A. McKim-
of the bill filed in this cause is
a decree for the appointment of
e place and stead of the defen-
K. Hooper, and that such trus-
this court the monies claimed
d of trust hereinafter mention-
that thereunto the complain-
lified the amounts and interest
tory notes hereafter mentioned,
of this suit.
ates, that the said William A.
fore made to the said William
and delivered to him his said
ee promissory notes, copies of
ibited with the said bill, and
les are now held by complain-
een duly passed to him for full
consideration; and remaining
gh the payment of each, as it
was demanded according to the
notes—That the said William
re-before by deed conveyed to
K. Hooper, all his said Mc-
and share and proportion, in
tate, real and personal, of his
e, Samuel McKim, late of Bal-
st, in the first place to secure
e promissory note of which the
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all liabilities, debts and claims,
g by said McKim for, or on
au Dalsem was liable and re-
at said William A. McKim,
est, share or proportion of his
tate, is entitled to a large sum
hich complainant insists and
be applied to pay the said three
tes, as being provided for by
rust, and they being, as com-
s, the note in the first place
s aforesaid, and all the debts,
claims, due and owing by said
McKim, in said deed of trust
hat said George K. Hooper,
fact in relation to said McKim
m,) resides out of the state of
d complainant, being desirous
ment of his said demands on
y notes, from the avails of said
onsequence of said George K
siding in Maryland, and not
ee, as he might if a resident a-
not having acted as such at all
ltogether so to act, delayed in
ment as aforesaid, and cannot
ts in the premises duly and
tained and adjusted in an ef
ding manner.
pon Ordered, That the com-
using a copy of this order to
some newspaper once in each
sive weeks before the 10th day
, give notice to the said non-
dants, George K. Hooper, Wil-
em, and William A. McKim,
re and object of the bill, that
arned to appear in this court
y a solicitor, on or before the
next, to shew cause, if any
a decree should not be passed

—Test,
RAMSAY WATERS,
Reg. Cur. Can.
Sw.

CHANCERY,
25th January, 1838.
That the sale of the lands in
of Elizabeth Snowden, and
John C. Herbert and Wife,
wden, and others, made and
e trustee, Charles D. War-
d and confirmed, unless cause
e contrary on or before the
rch next, provided a copy of
published in some newspaper
three successive weeks be-
y of February next.
ates that the land sold for $7

—Test,
RAMSAY WATERS,
Reg. Cur. Can.
3w.

County Court in Equity,
29th January, 1838.
That the sale of the real es-
muel Chew and Eliza M.
reported by Samuel Chew,
decree of this Court to make
ally ratified and confirmed as
s cause to the contrary be
he second Monday of May
copy of this order be pub-
week for three successive
he first of March next, in
printed in the city of An-

ates the amount of sales to

copy.
THOS. B. DORSEY.
3w.

ATION WANTED.
er wants the following infor-
he year 1821 or 22, a cer-
OCK, formerly a resi-
re, Maryland, but at the a-
ident of Annapolis, Mary-
olis for the western country.
ock is now dead. Any per-
of his death will confer a
bscriber by enclosing him a
apolis, Maryland.
the Editors of papers be so
t the above, and by so doing
a great favour on an aged
e family.
WM. CATON.
d. Sept. 12th, 1837.

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Fine do do
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Do Pale do
Extra fine Old PORT.

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CIGARS, CHEWING TOBACCO, &c.
CASES *loaned* in good order to Members of the Legislature purchasing their Liquors of the subscribers.
DUBOIS & WEEMS.
January 18. 3

WILLIAM BRYAN,
Merchant Tailor,
HAS just received a handsome assortment of
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES AND VESTINGS,
very superior in quality, and variety in colours, which he will make up in the most fashionable style, or to suit customers, at the shortest notice.
Gentlemen will find it to their interest to give him a call before they buy. His stand is directly opposite to Messrs. Swann & Iglehart's Hotel.
October 5.

A MANAGER WANTED,
FOR the ensuing year on the Farm of Commodore Henry E. Ballard, near Annapolis. A person that can come well recommended for sobriety and industry, will find a desirable situation. None other need apply. Application can be made to Mrs. Ballard, at the Farm, or to
THE FRANKLIN, Annapolis.
December 7, 1837.

NOTICE.
THE creditors of John M. Robinson, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are hereby notified to meet the subscriber at the Orphans Court of said county on the 1st of February 1838, to receive their respective dividends of said deceased's estate.
JOHN S. SELLMAN, Adm'r.
Note. All persons having books belonging to the deceased, are requested to leave them with Mrs. Shaw in Annapolis.
January 11.

I know of no pursuit in which more real or important services can be rendered to any country, than by improving its Agriculture.
WASHINGTON.

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A. C.

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FRESH GOODS.
GEORGE McNEIR & SON,
Merchant Tailors,
HAVE just received a lot of superior
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES AND VESTINGS,
which in addition to their former stock, makes their assortment more desirable than any heretofore offered in the city They invite their friends and the public generally to call and examine them.

IN CHANCERY,
12th January, 1838.
Benjamin Coxe
vs.
William Rothwell, Adm'r. of John R. Francis.

THE object of the bill filed in this cause is to obtain a decree to permit the complainant to redeem the negroes hereinafter mentioned, and that the defendant reconvey and reassign to complainant the said negroes, and that the defendant account for the hire, wages and value of the services of said negroes.

The bill states, that three judgments were rendered against the complainant in Cecil County Court, and writs of fieri facias issued thereon, and three negroes, to wit—two negro men and one negro woman, the property of complainant, amongst things were seized and advertised for sale by the sheriff of Cecil county to satisfy said judgments—That complainant applied to a certain John R. Francis to lend him money to pay said judgments, or to attend the sale, and purchase said negroes for complainant, and hold the same, and receive the hire, wages and services, of the same, until he the said Francis had been repaid the price for which he should purchase them, with interest—That said Francis did agree with complainant that he would attend the sale of said negroes under said executions, and would purchase said negroes for complainant, and hold the same until he was repaid the price, with interest, out of their hire, wages or services, and as soon as he was repaid he would return and restore said negroes to complainant—That said Francis attended said sale, and stated and proclaimed to sundry persons who were present for the purpose of bidding for said negroes, that he the said Francis was bidding for said negroes for the benefit of complainant, and that he intended and had agreed to return them to the complainant as soon as he Francis was repaid, in consequence of which declaration the persons who attended the sale for the purpose of purchasing said negroes refused to bid, and said negroes were struck off to said Francis for the small sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, and said negroes were then and there delivered to said Francis, whereas the said negroes were worth a much greater sum of money, and under other circumstances would have commanded a much larger price—That said Francis departed this life intestate, in 1836, and letters of administration on his personal estate were granted to the defendant William Rotwwell, who undertook the execution of said trust, and has included the said negroes as the property of the said Francis, in the inventory which he has returned, and that said negroes are still so held and possessed by said Rothwell, as administrator aforesaid—That said Francis did receive the wages of the two negro men for the year 1834, which amounted to one hundred dollars, and that he ever afterwards, up to his death, received the wages, hire or services, of the said men and woman, which were reasonbly worth one hundred and twenty-five dollars per annum, over and above all charge for clothing and food, and that since his death the same have been received by said Rotwell as his administrator—that the whole amount and value of the said hire, wages, or services of said negroes, greatly exceed the sum or price paid for said negroes, together with the interest that has accrued thereon, and that according to said agreement complainant is entitled to have and repossess said negroes—That complainant demanded said negroes from said Francis in his lifetime, and since his death from said Rothwell, the administrator aforesaid, but that said Francis in his lifetime, and said Rothwell since the death of said Francis, wholly neglected and refused to deliver up said negroes to the complainant. The bill also states, that the said William Rothwell resides out of the state of Maryland.

It is thereupon Ordered, That the complainant by causing a copy of this order to be published in some newspaper once in each of three successive weeks before the 15th day of February next, give notice to the said nonresident defendant of the substance and object of the bill, that he may be warned to appear in this court in person, or by a solicitor, on or before the 12th day of June next, to shew cause, if any he hath, why a decree should not be passed as prayed.

True copy—Test,
RAMSAY WATERS,
Reg. Cur. Can.

IN CHANCERY,
23d January 1838.
ORDERED, That the sale of the real estate of Luther Moxley and others, as made and reported by Isaac P. Ijams, the trustee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d day of March next, provided a copy of this order be published once in each of three successive weeks before the 23d day of February next in some newspaper.

The report states the amount of sales to be eleven hundred and ninety-seven dollars.

True copy—Test,
RAMSAY WATERS,
Reg. Cur. Can.
January 25.

ANNE-ARUNDEL COUNTY, Set.
ON application to Nicholas Brewer, Esquire, Chief Justice of the Orphans Court of Anne-Arundel county, by petition in writing of Peter McRoberts, of Anne-Arundel county, stating that he is now in actual confinement, and praying for the benefit of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at December session 1805, and the several supplements thereto, on the terms therein mentioned, a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, on oath, so far as he can ascertain the same, being annexed to his said petition, and the said Peter McRoberts having satisfied me by competent testimony that he has resided two years within the state of Maryland immediately preceding the time of his application, and the said Peter McRoberts having taken the oath by the said act prescribed for the delivering up his property, and given sufficient security for his personal appearance at the county court of Anne-Arundel county, to answer such interrogatories and allegations as may be made against him, and having appointed Beale Gaither his trustee, who has given bond as such, and received from said Peter McRoberts a conveyance and possession of all his property real, personal and mixed—I do hereby order and adjudge, that the said Peter McRoberts be discharged from imprisonment, and that he give notice to his creditors by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Anne-Arundel county, once a week for three consecutive months, before the third Monday in April next, to appear before the said county court at the court house of said county, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, and to shew cause, if any they have, why the said Peter McRoberts should not have the benefit of the said act, and supplements, as prayed. Given under my hand this twenty-seventh day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

NICH'S. BREWER,
Chief Judge of the Orphans Court, Anne-Arundel County.
Test, WM. S. GREEN, Clk.
A. A. County Court.
December 30 3m.

Anne-Arundel County, Set.
ON application to the Judges of Anne-Arundel County Court, by petition, in writing, of William Murdock, of Anne-Arundel county, stating that he is now in actual confinement, and praying for the benefit of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at December session 1805, and the several supplements thereto, on the terms therein mentioned, a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, so far as he can ascertain the same, being annexed to his petition, and the said William Murdock having satisfied me by competent testimony that he has resided two years within the state of Maryland immediately preceding the time of his application, and the said William Murdock having taken the oath by the said act prescribed for the delivering up his property, and given sufficient security for his personal appearance at the county court of Anne Arundel county, to answer such interrogatories and allegations as may be made against him, and having appointed Robert Welch of Ben. his trustee, who has given bond as such, and received from the said William Murdock a conveyance and possession of all his property, real, personal and mixed, it is therefore hereby ordered and adjudged, that the said William Murdock be discharged from imprisonment, and that he give notice to his creditors by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some newspaper published in Anne-Arundel county, once a week for three consecutive months before the third Monday of April next, to appear before the said county court at the court house of said county, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, and to shew cause, if any they have, why the said William Murdock should not have the benefit of the said act and supplements, as prayed Given under my hand this 24th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

Test, WM. S. GREEN, Clk.
January 4. 3m.

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JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
Of the House of Delegates of the State of Maryland,
DECEMBER SESSION, 1837.

WEDNESDAY, February 7th.

Mr. Rentch presented a petition of Henry Shafer, George Shafer, and H. J. Shafer, praying for an extension of time for the drawing of the Lottery, which was granted them at December session 1831.

Mr. Goldsborough, a petition of Howard Lodge, No. 28, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at East New Market, in Dorchester county, praying for an act of incorporation.

Mr. McDaniel, a memorial of John C. Turner, and others, praying the passage of an act for the condemnation of a certain piece of land for the use of a tail race, to a certain mill therein mentioned.

Mr. McDaniel, a memorial of Sarah Brown, counter to the memorial of John C. Turner and others.

Mr. Higgins submitted the following preamble and order,

Whereas, at a special session of the General Assembly of Maryland, held in May, 1836, the faith of the State was pledged conditionally, to subscribe for five hundred thousand dollars of stock, in aid of the Annapolis and Potomac Canal; and whereas, the commencement of said work has been postponed, and the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road substituted, and three hundred thousand dollars only of the original appropriation is contemplated to be expended on said road; and whereas, it is but just and reasonable that the balance of the original appropriation shoul be expended in this section of the State—Therefore,

Ordered, that the committee on Internal Improvement, request George W. Hughes, Esq., Engineer upon both of the above mentioned routes, to report to this house how the balance of said original appropriation may be best applied to some work of Internal Improvement to connect with the Annapolis and Elk Ridge Rail Road.

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, to incorporate the Washington Lyceum of Baltimore.

Also, the bill, to authorise Bennett Gilbert, administrator of Preston McConnas, to settle the unfinished business of said late sheriff, severally endorsed, "will pass," and severally ordered to be engrossed.

Also, the bill, to improve the Police of Frederick, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment."

Which amendment was read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Also, the supplement to an act to limit the time for which Tobacco Inspectors shall continue to hold their offices, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment;"

The clerk of the senate also delivered the following bills, originated in and passed by the senate, viz:

A bill, to confirm an act, to repeal all that part of the constitution and form of government, as relates to the division of Washington county into eight separate election districts, and for other purposes.

A bill, relating to the record of the proceedings of the convention which established the declaration of rights, and the constitution and form of government of this State.

A bill, to abolish the levy court, provide for the appointment of commissioners of Somerset county, and prescribing their duties.

And, an act authorising John McHenry, of Allegany county, to erect gates on certain public roads passing through his lands in said county.

The bill reported by Mr. Nelson, for the relief of William Rampley, of Harford county,—And

The bill reported by Mr. Boyle, of Carroll, entitled, a supplement to an act, to incorporate the citizens of Taney town, in Carroll county.

Were severally taken up for consideration, read the second time and severally passed.

On motion of Mr. Blocher,

The house took up for consideration the resolution submitted by Mr. Simmons on the 1st inst., requiring the Treasurer of the Western Shore to purchase and apply forthwith, so much current coin as will pay the demands of those of the public creditors who have been reported by the commissioner of loans, to have refused to receive payment in current bank paper.

Mr. Williams offered as a substitute for said resolution, the following:

1st. Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in making provision for the payment of demands against the State, it would be an act of gross injustice to our own citizens to give any advantage to a particular class of creditors, or to make a distinction in favour of the foreign over the domestic creditors of the State.

2d And be it resolved, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby authorised and required to demand of the several banks in this State, prompt payment, in gold or silver, of all such bills and notes of the issues of said banks, purporting to be payable on demand, as the Treasurer now holds, and as from time to time he may receive or have ceic within his control, on the State's account; Provided, that if said banks shall pay, and continue to pay, without any suspension, their notes on demand in gold or silver coin, the said treasurer shall not be hereby required to draw or demand from said banks a greater amount of specie at any time, than he may deem sufficient for the requisitions of the treasury.

3d. And be it resolved, That if the said banks shall not in good faith comply with their obligations to redeem their promises, or shall not answer fully and promptly all such lawful and just demands as aforesaid, then and in that case the said treasurer is hereby authorised and directed to procure, as soon as may be, by loans or by the exchange of bank notes for lawful money, on the best terms he can for the State, such sum or sums of coin made current by act of Congress, as may be requisite to pay and discharge every demand on the treasury, for which provision shall have been or may be made by law.

4th. And be it resolved, That as soon as the treasurer shall have procured a supply of specie, as hereinbefore provided for, the only currency then, in which payments out of the treasury shall thereafter be made, shall be gold or silver, or the notes of specie paying banks, at the election of the creditor.

5th. And be it resolved, That in case any of said banks shall persist in refusing to pay their bills and notes in lawful money on demand, the treasurer is hereby authorised and directed to cause legal measures to be taken to compel all such banks to comply with their obligations to redeem their promises, and he shall also take the necessary measures to enforce the law for the recovery of interest, at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, for the use of the State, against all such delinquent banks as come within the provisions, of the law, subjecting such banks to pay interest at the rate aforesaid in the event of their refusing to redeem their bills and notes on demand; and of the fund that may accrue from the amount of interest that may be so recovered, the surplus, after deducting the charge which may have been incurred by the treasury, for the procuring of specie as provided for in the third of these resolutions, shall be appropriated to the Free Schools' Fund for the benefit of the several counties in this State.

Which was read.

Mr. Alexander moved to lay said resolution and substitute on the table, and make them the order of the day for Thursday, the 1st March

Mr. Williams moved to lay said resolution and substitute on the table;

The motion to lay upon the table, being a preference motion, the question was put on laying them on the table, and

Determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Williams, the yeas and nays were ordered and appeared as follows:—

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Higgins, Orrick, Turner, of Balt. Jones, Comegys, Evans, Roberts. Biser, Geyer, Ent, Cramer, Williams, Forwood, Nelson, Hillen, Swingley, Rentch, Witmer, Neff, Blocher, Huddleson, Boyle, of Car. Shower, Berrett, Powder—25.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Tuck, Speaker, Hopewell, Ford, McDaniel, Usilton, Gale, Brown, Simmons, Parran, Beall, Hughes, Carpinter, Matthews, Boyle, of Tal. Lemmon, Frazier, Goldsborough, Parker, Simpers, Bowie, Ghiselin, Coombs, Swann, Alexander, Harrison, Wilmer, Townsend, Selby, Powell, Carter, Jump, of Caro. Giles, Beam, Griffith, White, Dawson—36

So the house refused to lay said resolution and substitute on the table.

Mr. Giles moved to lay said resolution and substitute on the table and make them the order of the day for the 20th inst.,

The question was first taken on the motion of Mr. Alexander, being the longest time, to lay said resolution and substitute on the table, and make them the order of the day for Thursday, the 1st March next, and

Resolved in the affirmative.

The house then adjourned until to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 8th.

Mr. Biser presented a petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying the passage of an act to authorise the levy court of Frederick county, in their discretion, to levy a certain sum of money for purposes therein mentioned.

Mr. Forwood, a petition of Abraham Ayres, of Harford county, praying to be placed on the pensien roll of said county.

Mr. Geyer, a petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying the passage of a law proposing the erection of a new election district in said county.

Mr. Geyer, a petition of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying that no act may be passed to divide said election district;

Also presented a memorial of sundry citizens of Frederick county, praying a supplement to an act of the General Assembly passed at December session 1837, in relation to the location of a road therein mentioned

Mr. Ely, a memorial of the trustees of St. James' Academy in Baltimore county, praying an increase of donation to said academy.

Mr. Sellers, two memorials signed by sundry citizens of Calvert county, praying that an armed vessel may be fitted out for the protection of their property from the depredations of oystermen.

Mr Gallagher, a memorial signed by thirteen hundred citizens of the city of Baltimore, praying for the abolishment of the present Penitentiary system of this state, so far as it conflicts with the interests of mechanics.

Mr. Goldsborough, a petition of Nancy Marain, praying to be divorced from her husband, John Marain.

Mr. Goldsborough also presented a petition of Elizabeth Lockerman, praying the passage of a law authorising her to bring into this state certain slaves therein mentioned.

Mr. White obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled, an act to abolish public executions.

Mr Hearn obtained leave to bring in a bill, to be entitled, an act to make certain acts of trespasses felony.

Mr. Parran obtained leave to bring in a bill to regulate the cording of fire wood in the city of Baltimore, and for other purposes.

Mr. White, chairman of the committee on agriculture, delivered the following report:

The committee on agriculture, to whom was referred the memorial of Edward P. Roberts have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report—

That the memorialist prays a loan from the state of $12,000 for 7 years, at an interest of six per cent, payable semi annually, with the privilege of returning a part of the principal at any time within the term of the grant, which he proposes to invest in a farm, cocoonery, and other implements proper for a silk establishment, with a view to the cultivation of that article, and by the results of a successful experiment to prove the expediency and importance of this culture to the agriculturalists of the state And as a further inducement to the loan, he offers to mortgage the farm, cocoonery, &c. to the state, to board, lodge, and instruct two children from each county, in the culture and manufacture of silk, annually for 7 years, and to furnish after the year 1838 any amount of mulberry trees, not exceeding in the aggregate 50,000 in any one year, to the citizens of the state at $5 00 per hundred.

Your committee regard the introduction of the silk culture as an object of great and growing importance, worthy the care and aid of the legislature; but whether the plan proposed by the memorialist is practicable, or calculated to promote that object to an extent and in a mode consistent with a wise and just policy, are questions upon which your committee have doubts, and upon which it is alike due to the claims of the memorialist and the interests of agriculture to decide with impartiality. Your committee are of opinion that the scheme submitted by the memorialist presents considerations of deep interest to this branch of industry, and would unite in recommending the grant if the obstacles to a successful fulfilment of its conditions were of a less decided character.—That a practical knowledge of the silk culture is to be acquired by youth in the short space of a year, is a proposition, which, in the view of your committee, is not likely to be realized; while the advantages resulting from a reduction in the price of mulberry cannot be expected to inure equally to our agriculturalists. The adaptation of our soil and climate to the profitable cultivation of silk is pretty generally admitted; every attempt for that purpose having been crowned with a degree of success more or less calculated to justify the opinion. Many of our citizens, some in a private, and others in a corporate capacity, have embarked with zeal in the business, and it is hoped that their success will be a medium of more extensive information, and excite a laudable spirit of enterprise among our people. Apart from these considerations, your committee perceive that a grant of the kind prayed for, involves a question of policy by establishing a precedent, under which the claims of others would come up with equal right to indulgence It is against the policy of the law to recognise any preference among our citizens, or grant to one a privilege or bounty which others having equal claims, cannot equally enjoy. Our practice under such a precedent, to be fair, might require an amount of loans wholly inconsistent with the resources of the treasury.

Your committee, therefore, deem it inexpedient to grant the prayer of the memorialist, and beg to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

All which is respectfully submitted,
STEPHEN N. C. WHITE, Chairman.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill entitled, an additional supplement to an act authorising Henry Shafer, George Shafer, and Henry I. Shafer, to distribute their estate by lot, passed at December session 1831, chapter 104;

Also, the bill, entitled, a supplement to an act relating to the city of Baltimore, passed at December session 1837, severally endorsed "will pass," and the bills severally ordered to be engrossed;

And delivered a memorial of the Faculty of Physic of the University of Maryland, calling the attention of the legislature to their present condition and soliciting such relief as the legislature, in the exercise of their wisdom,