

RESOLVED, That after the first day of October next, such part of the said county of Frederick as is contained within the bounds and limits following, to wit, Beginning at the east side of the mouth of Rock-creek on Patowmack river, and running with the said river to the mouth of Monococy, then with a straight line to Par's spring, from thence with the lines of the county to the beginning, shall be and is hereby erected into a new county by the name of *Montgomery* county.

RESOLVED, That the inhabitants of the said counties of Washington and Montgomery shall have, hold, and enjoy, all such rights and privileges, as are held and enjoyed by the inhabitants of any county in this state.

RESOLVED, That Mr. Joseph Sprigg, Joseph Smith, John Barnes, Andrew Rench, Daniel Hughs, William Yates, and Conrod Hogmire, shall be and are hereby appointed commissioners for Washington county; and they or the major part of them shall be and are hereby authorized and required to buy and purchase in fee, a quantity of land not exceeding four acres, at or adjoining such place as a majority of voters within the limits of the said county, qualified as this Convention shall hereafter direct, the election to be held at the place heretofore appointed for the chusing of delegates in this Convention (the said commissioners giving ten days notice of the place and time of voting) for the purpose of building thereon a court-house and prison for the said county; and shall cause the said land to be laid out by the surveyor of Frederick county with good and sufficient boundaries, and a certificate thereof to be returned and recorded in the records of the said county; and the said commissioners or the major part of them shall draw their order on the sheriff of Washington county to pay such sum as shall be agreed upon for the said land, and the sheriff is hereby directed and required to pay the said order out of the money hereafter mentioned to be collected by him for that purpose; and such payment for the land shall invest the justices of Washington county and their successors with an estate in fee simple therein for the use of the said county for ever: and if the said commissioners or the major part of them, and the owner of the said land, shall differ about the value of the said land, in such case the commissioners, or the major part of them, shall be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to order the sheriff of Washington county to summon twelve freeholders upon the said land, who shall be empannelled and sworn as a jury, to enquire the value of the said land; and the said commissioners, or the major part of them, shall draw their order on the sheriff of Washington county, to pay the said valuation, and the said sheriff is hereby directed to pay the said order, out of the money hereafter mentioned to be by him collected for that purpose; and upon his payment of the said order, the fee simple in the said land shall be invested, as aforesaid, in the justices of Washington county and their successors for the use of the said county for ever.

RESOLVED, That Messieurs Nathan Magruder, John Murdock, Henry Griffith, Thomas Cramphin, junior, Zadock Magruder, Allen Bowie, and John Wilson, be and are hereby appointed commissioners for Montgomery county; and they or a major part of them shall be and they are hereby authorized and required to buy and purchase in fee a quantity of land not exceeding four acres, at or adjoining such place as a majority of the voters within the limits of the said county, qualified as this Convention shall hereafter direct, the election to be held at the place heretofore appointed for the chusing of delegates in Convention (the said commissioners giving ten days notice of the time and place aforesaid) for the purpose of building thereon a court-house and prison for the said county; and shall cause the said land to be laid out by the surveyor of Montgomery county with good and sufficient boundaries, and a certificate thereof to be returned and recorded in the records of the said county; and the said commissioners or the major part of them shall draw their order on the sheriff of Montgomery county, to pay such sum as shall be agreed upon for the said land, and the sheriff is hereby directed and required to pay the said order out of the money hereafter mentioned to be collected by him for that purpose; and such payment for the land aforesaid shall invest the justices of Montgomery county and their successors with an estate in fee simple therein for the use of the said county for ever: and if the said commissioners or the major part of them, and the owner of the said land, shall differ about the value of the said land, in such case the commissioners or the major part of them shall be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to order the sheriff of Montgomery county to summon twelve freeholders upon the said land, who shall be empannelled and sworn as a jury, to enquire the value of the said land; and the said commissioners or the major part of them shall draw their order upon the sheriff of Montgomery county to pay the said valuation; and the said sheriff is hereby directed to pay the said order out of the money hereafter mentioned to be by him collected for that purpose; and upon his payment of the said order, the fee simple in the said land shall be invested, as aforesaid, in the justices of Montgomery county and their successors for the use of the said county for ever.

RESOLVED, That the justices of Washington and Montgomery counties, or the major part of them, respectively, be and they are hereby authorized to contract and agree for a convenient place in each of the said counties,