

Whereas by an inquisition held on the body of a certain negro man, a slave, the property of a certain John Cover, on the fifth of July last, it was found that the said negro came to his death from the unmerciful beating, and other ill treatment received from his said master, John Cover; and it has been represented to me, that the said John Cover has fled from Justice, and it being of the greatest importance to society that the perpetrator of such a crime should be brought to condign punishment, I have therefore thought proper to issue this my proclamation, and do, by and with the advice and consent of the council, offer a reward of Two Hundred Dollars to any person who shall apprehend and deliver the said John Cover to the Sheriff of Frederick County, given in Council, at the City of Annapolis, under the great Seal of the State of Maryland, this second day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

By his Excellency's command

Manus Pennington

Secretary of the Council

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Ordered that the foregoing proclamation be published four weeks in the Maryland Gazette, Federal Republican, Federal Gazette, Frederick Town Herald, and the Plain Dealer.

William Boon was appointed a Justice of the Peace for Caroline County vice Joseph S. Taylor resigned and a new Commission issued to said County including William Boon and leaving out Joseph S. Taylor.

Wednesday August the 3^d 1814

The Council met. Present his Excellency the Governor and the Honourable William H. Ward, Thomas G. Addison and Samuel Ridout.

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Lieutenant B. Cushman one hundred and twenty one Dollars and eighty eight cents the amount of pay due a Detachment of Cavalry commanded by him for services in July last as per pay roll.

William H. Vanlear was appointed Notary Public for the State of Maryland to reside at Williamsport in Washington County and commission issued to him accordingly.

Ordered that the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Captain John C. Herbert or order three hundred Dollars to purchase supplies for the Troop commanded by him to be accounted for.