

From Wednesday July the second to Wednesday July 16 1817
The Honourable James Shaw appeared in the Council Room.

Thursday July the 17th 1817

By his Excellency Charles Ridgely of Hampton Esquire Governor of Maryland

A. Proclamation

Whereas it has been represented to me by Arnold T. Winsor, Esquire Sheriff of Montgomery County, that a certain negro man named Jacob, slave of Mr John O'Neill, who had been committed to the goal of said County, charged with the murder of his master, has made his escape therefrom. And whereas it is the duty of the Executive in the execution of the laws, to endeavour to bring all malefactors to justice, 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 or persons who shall apprehend and deliver to the Sheriff of Montgomery County, the said Negro Jacob. Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Maryland this seventeenth of July eighteen hundred and seventeen

By his Excellency's Command
Mimian Pinkney
Clerk of the Council

C. Ridgely of Hampton

Ordered that the foregoing Proclamation be published in the Maryland Gazette, Federal Gazette, Federal Republican and Telegraph, The Frederick Town Herald, The Torch Light, The Allegany Federalist, and the Monitor at Easton once a week for six weeks.

Mimian Pinkney
Clerk of the Council

From Thursday July the 17th to Saturday August the 9th 1817 the Honourable Henry H. Chapman and James Shaw appeared in the Council Room.