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immediately qualified as such before Thomas H. Carroll, Esquire, Recorder of the City of Annapolis, by taking the several oaths required by the Constitution and Laws of this State, and by subscribing a Declaration of his belief in the Christian Religion, and also by taking an oath to support the Constitution of the United States.

On the nomination of His Excellency the Governor Henry Thompson was appointed Mesenger of the Council.

Ordered, that the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Mr. Thomas Rop, one hundred and eighteen dollars for bringing Washington Labej from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, he being a fugitive from the justice of this State, as per account papered and filed.

By the Petition of Samuel Black a man of colour it is stated, that he is a native of the State of Maryland from which he removed several years ago to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and resided there until a few months ago, when he returned unconscious that he had made himself an exile from it, or that, by returning he violated any law - that he was arrested, imprisoned for two months, and then without an imputation of crime brought before the Court of Washington County at its November term last, to answer an Indictment for having violated the Act of Assembly, prohibiting the migration of free negroes and mulattoes to this State - that he was convicted and fined forty dollars and committed until the said fine should be paid - The Petitioner states that he is poor with a wife and a number of children depending on his daily labour for support - The Board do on consideration of the circumstances of this case, and from the recommendation of the Court of the said County, and a number of respectable persons Inhabitants of Washington County remit the said fine of forty dollars.

Philemon Chew

Isaac D. Maulsby

Nicholas Brewer