

The Council met. Present, the same as on yesterday  
Tuesday January 25th 1831

The following Message was adopted, and with the accompanying resolutions mentioned  
sent by the Clerk of the Council, to the several Departments.

Executive Department  
Washington January 25th 1831

Gentlemen of the Senate, and  
of the House of Delegates,

We have the honor, herewith, to lay before you the authorized  
Memorial of the American Convention for promoting the abolition of Slavery, and  
improving the condition of the African race, which lately, held a meeting at the City  
of Washington.

We have the honor to remain  
with the highest respect

Yours for Liberty

David Martin

The Council met. Present, the same as on yesterday  
Wednesday January 26th 1831

By the petition of Hizekiah Burdett, Philip Dussall and John J  
Dussall, and a transcript from the Records of the County Court, it  
appears that they entered into a recognizance, the first in the sum of two  
hundred dollars, and the other two in the sum of one hundred dollars each,  
for the appearance of the said Hizekiah Burdett, before the said County Court,  
at Newark, Term 1827, to answer a prosecution for beating a chicken, and  
that the said recognizance has been forfeited, and that subsequent to the  
forfeiture the said Hizekiah Burdett has been tried for the said alleged offense  
and acquitted.

The Petitioners pray that forasmuch as the said Burdett  
has been found innocent of the offense charged, they may be released from the  
aforesaid forfeiture, which they represent themselves unable to pay. And  
the said Court having a compliance with their prayer, upon consideration  
of their case, we do hereby remit the aforesaid forfeiture.

David Martin

Geo. Howard

Sam. Turner

James Washington

The Council met. Present, the same as yesterday except  
Mr. Howard  
Thursday January 27th 1831

In the nomination of His Excellency the Governor, and  
by and with the advice and consent of the Council the following