

Thursday February 15 1838.

His Excellency the Governor granted a Writ of Habeas Corpus to Isabella Nelson, on account of a charge of having, in the month of May last, obtained under false pretences, two bonnets, two Capes and one Cash border, the property of Isaac Saville, with an intent to defraud and cheat him the said Saville, which she had been imprisoned in the Jail of Baltimore County, nearly six months.

(See Parson Record).

Friday February 16 1838.

The following Message was sent to the House of Delegates, by Thomas Culbreth Clerk of the Council Vix.

Executive Department
Annapolis February 16 1838.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates.

I have received your Order of the 10th instant, requesting me to inform you what progress has been made under the Resolution of December Session 1835, providing for a Digest of the Laws of this State, and herewith lay before you a copy of one, and an extract of another letter, from Joseph Merrick Esquire, who was last Spring appointed Director of the Digest, and also an extract of a letter from the Clerk of the Council, to Mr Merrick, containing all the written communications between the Executive and Mr Merrick in relation to the work in question. I have not heard anything further from Mr Merrick, upon the subject, nor have I any other knowledge what progress, if any, has been made in the work since the last Session of the General Assembly.

I am, Gentlemen, with great respect

Yours Obedt Servt

J. W. Peasey

By the petition of Richard H Burgess, George Coker and William Ruskob, and a transcript from the Records of Frederick County Court, it appears that they had entered into a Recognizance, in the sum of five hundred dollars for the appearance of Frank Chester before Frederick County Court, at December term 1836, to answer, and that the said Recognizance was afterwards forfeited.

The petitioners state that they were induced to become bound for the said Chester from friendly and honest motives, and a belief, based upon the Opinion of Counsel, that the said Chester had been guilty of no illegal act; that upon the failure of the said Chester to appear according to the tenor of said Recognizance, they made every effort in their power and at great expense, to arrest said Chester and bring him to Justice, but were, and still are, unable to accomplish that object. They therefore pray that the said County be released, and one of the Judges of the said Court, having recourse