

latitude could be obtained upon the subject. With that view, your attention is respectfully called to it.

Francis Thomas

January 7<sup>th</sup> 1842.

This day forwarded to the address of Hon. Charles S. Sevell, certificate of his election as member of Congress, for the balance of the term for which the late James W. Williams was elected, and ordered the following proclamation to be published in the Baltimore Sun, and Baltimore Republican, and in the newspapers of Maryland and Carroll Counties.

Proclamation:

State of Maryland - To Wit:

Whereas, an election was held on Monday, the second day of January instant, in the third Congressional district of this state, as described by law, for a member to represent the state in this Congress of the United States, in the place of James W. Williams deceased; And, whereas, it is made the duty of the Governor, after having ascertained the number of votes given for each person voted for and declared by proclamation the name of the person duly elected, to transmit a certificate of said election to the proper officers authorized to receive the same, to be by him delivered to the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States; and, whereas, the number of said votes has been ascertained and proclamation made accordingly.

Now, therefore, I, Francis Thomas, Governor of the state of Maryland, do hereby certify, that by the returns of said election in the several counties of the state composing the third Congressional district of the state, made agreeably to law, it appears that Charles S. Sevell had the highest number of votes in said district and was duly elected a member to represent this state in the Congress of the United States in place of James Williams, deceased.

Given under my hand, and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland on this seventh day of January in the year of Our Lord One Thousand and Eight hundred and forty three.

By the Governor  
Geo. C. Selgrand  
Secretary of State.

Francis Thomas

January 9<sup>th</sup> 1843.

This day issued an order to the Sheriff of Washington County ordering him to deliver George A. Stokes a fugitive from the justice of Pennsylvania to the agent of the state of Pennsylvania.

January 12<sup>th</sup> 1843.

This day sent to the House of Delegates the following message:

State Department  
Annapolis, January 12<sup>th</sup> 1843

To the Honorable

The General Assembly:

In pursuance of the resolution of your honorable body, I communicated a copy of it to each of the counsel who conducted