

January 12th 1844

This day, the Governor on the recommendation of the Judges of Anne Arundel County Court, admitted the forfeited recognizance entered into by Robert Welch of Blen, at April term 1843, for the appearance of one Samuel Magness.

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The following message was this day sent to the House of Delegates:

State Department

Annapolis January 13th 1844

To the Honorable

The General Assembly: I have with respectfully submit, a communication received from the President of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company respecting the rate of fare on the Washington Rail Road.

I also submit copies of the resolutions of the Legislature of South Carolina, respecting the annexation of Texas to the Union, and a communication received from the American Peace Society.

Francis Thomas

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The Governor to day nominated the civil officers for Talbot County.

January 15th 1844

The Governor having received a certified copy of "An act to divide the state into six congressional districts" passed at December session 1843, in pursuance of its provisions ordered it to be published in the following newspapers, to wit: "Alleghenian," "Civilian," "Magnum Mail," "Starlight," "Tradeist, Examiner" "The Daily Citizen," "Canoll Democrat," "Baltimorean," "Baltimore Republican and Argus," "Baltimore Sun," "Baltimore Clipper," "Harford Republican," "Madisonian" (Blaine de Grace) "Annapolis Journal," "Marble Gazette," "Loudoun Herald," "Annapolis Star," "Howard District Post," "Becil Democrat," "Becil Whig," "Kent News," "Centerville Times," "Centerville Telescope," "Denton Pearl," "Easton Star," "Easton Whig," "Cambridge Chronicle," "Somerset Herald." In pursuance to the provisions of the same act, the Governor issued his proclamation to the several sheriffs of the several counties, and Howard district, and the Mayor of the City of Baltimore, in the following words, to wit:

"State of Maryland, - To wit:

To the Sheriff of _____ Greeting:

Whereas, By the provisions of an act passed by the present General Assembly, entitled "an act to divide the state into six congressional districts," it is required of the Governor to give notice of an election to be held in the several congressional districts into which the state is divided, for the election of a Representative to the twenty-eighth Congress of the United States, from each of said districts.

Now, Therefore, I, Francis Thomas, Governor of Maryland, do by virtue of the authority in me vested, order and direct that on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty four, that there be held an election in the _____ Congressional District, composed of _____

_____ for a Representative to the twenty eighth Congress of the United States from the _____ congressional district, constituted as aforesaid stated, and that