

which communication shortly after it was delivered by the clerk of the Senate was taken out by said clerk and returned to the Senate without the approbation or knowledge of the Governor

February 7th 1844

This day the nominations of civil officers for Cecil and Somerset counties were made

February 8th 1844

This day the Governor pardoned John Rice and John Creamer confined in Baltimore County jail for an assault and battery on Watchmen Cruise and Flaherty (See record of Pardons)

February 8th 1844

This day the Governor nominated William Hill Giles one of the Board of Managers of the State Colonization Society, also Thomas A. Decker to take acknowledgments of deeds in the State of Massachusetts; also several persons to be Justices of the peace for the counties of Baltimore, Frederick, Alleghany, Washington and Prince Georges in addition to those already in Commission (See record of nominations) also nominated Military officers in the 1st, 37th and 46th Regiments of M. C.

February 8th 1844

The Governor this day received the report of the Principal of the Pennsylvania Institution for the instruction of the Blind showing the number of pupils supported by Maryland and their condition

February 9th 1844

This day the Governor directed commissions to be issued to James Wason Register of Wills for Washington County, Samuel Roberts Register of Wills for Queen Anne County, Samuel T. Hodgskin Register of Wills for Calvert County, and William Jackson Clerk of Dorchester County Court respectively as of the date of the confirmation by the Senate and they were accordingly issued

February 10th 1844

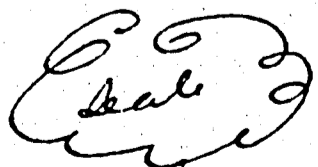
This day the Governor granted the following Nolle Prosequi:

State of Maryland - to wit:

Whereas a certain negro named Richard had committed a felony by escaping from his owner, George Bushwa, late of Washington County Maryland, into the State of Pennsylvania; and whereas the said negro Richard hath been recommended to Executive clemency by his owner who represents that he is anxious to retain him; and also by numerous citizens of Washington County, slave holders, who represent the said negro Richard to have been at the time of the commission of the offence aforesaid young, artful, and unexperienced, and that the retention of him in the State by his owner would not under the circumstances in his case operate prejudicially to their interests

Now therefore I Francis Thomas Governor of the State of Maryland do hereby grant a Nolle Prosequi to the said Richard on account of the aforesaid offence and order and direct that all further proceedings against him do cease and determine and that no further prosecution be had or carried on against him for or on account of said offence

Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Maryland this tenth day of February eighteen hundred and forty four and of the Independence of the United States the Sixty eighth


By the Governor

Francis Thomas