

September 21. 1844

This day the Governor released the fine of ten dollars which was imposed upon Robert McCauley by James Martin, a Justice of the Peace, on the twenty sixth day of May in the year eighteen hundred and forty two, for a violation of the Act of Assembly relating to Hawkers and Peddlers.

September 23. 1844

This day the Governor granted a Pardon to Patrick Lennox, convicted in Frederick County Court at February Term 1843, of uttering false coin. (for Pardon see Record of Pardons)

January 1st 1845

This day the Governor sent the following Message to the Senate and House of Delegates being his Annual Message

Message of the Senate

and of the House of Delegates

It is to be expected, that the representatives of the people of Maryland will look to the usual annual communication of the Executive, for a general and candid exposure of the condition of the State. There is no object in which our Constituents can be more deeply interested. They may and do look with pride and pleasure upon the occurrences daily demonstrating the permanency and excellence of those forms of Government established in the several States of the Confederacy, and cannot but exult in the proofs thus afforded, by the Constitutional action of the General and State Governments, that no political institutions which have been heretofore devised by human wisdom can be more wisely adapted to the great end and object of all government - the security of private property, the protection of personal rights, the redress of personal wrongs, and the advancement of civil and religious liberty. But while contemplating the prosperous and happy condition of many of our sister States, and reflecting on the glorious destiny of our Union, which is the past prophecy for the future, our Constituents must feel a deep anxiety in relation to the internal affairs of our own State; and have a right to expect, in the Annual Message of the Governor to the Legislature, a faithful disclosure to the best of his judgment, of the causes of our public difficulties, with a recommendation of such measures as may, in his opinion, be best calculated in whole or in part to remove them.

Nothing has contributed more to the embarrassment which we have to encounter than the too absorbing character of our