

November 30th 1846

W. Walker The Governor this day (upon the recommendation of the Judges of Baltimore City Court) granted a pardon to Sebato Jones (whom convicted in said Court of Larceny at September Term 1846 and sentenced to the Penitentiary) - see record of pardons.

December 8th 1846

W. Walker The Governor this day (upon the recommendation of the Judges of Montgomery County Court) remitted a fine of fifty dollars imposed by said Court upon Leonard Hays for holding two offices of profit and trust at the same time.

Dec 9th 1846

W. Walker The Governor this day (upon the recommendation of the Judges, the Wardens & Justices of Washington County Court & sundry Citizens of said County) granted a pardon to George Graves convicted on Indictment in said Court at November Term 1846 of Larceny - see record of pardons.

Dec 21st 1846

W. Walker The Gov. this day granted a pardon to Miley Tucker (upon the recommendation of the Judges of Calvert County Court) convicted in Calvert County Court at October Term 1845 of Assault with intent to Kill - see record of pardons.

Annual Message

Executive Department
December 29th 1846

Senators and Gentlemen of
The House of Delegates

Since the adjournment of the last Legislature the North Western boundary between the United States & Great Britain has been established by the two Governments to the satisfaction of the people of each country, and the adjustment of this question through the public will & sentiment of the two nations gives assurance that the amicable relations, which have been happily restored, will not again be disturbed by the Government of either country.

At the period, referred to, it was generally believed that our difficulties with Mexico were more certainly susceptible of an amicable adjustment, & less apprehension was consequently felt by your predecessors, of a collision with that country than with Great Britain. The result has shown the fallacy of human judgment - the inadequacy of human intellect to foresee the future. Texas had been annexed to the American Union without occasioning a war with Mexico; but the subsequent determination of the Federal Executive to maintain as the boundary between the United States & Mexico, the boundary of Texas, as defined by the Mexican Congress prior to her annexation, has given rise to the war which now exists between that Republic & the United States.

The Congress of the United States, by an Act passed on the 13th day of May 1846, recognized the existence of a state of war between the United States & the Republic of Mexico, and authorized the President to accept of the service of a volunteer force, not exceeding fifty thousand men, & to call on the several States, for their respective quotas of that force. Under this law, the President made a requisition upon