

The committee then received the following letter :

BANK HOUSE, *January 17th, 1843,*

*Half past 2 o'clock, P. M.*

J. M. BUCHANAN, ESQ.

SIR,—Your last communication has just been received, proposing to commence your investigation to-morrow morning at nine o'clock; to that proposition we accede.

Our only object in proposing 2 o'clock, P. M. to-morrow, as the hour of our meeting, was to enable us to pass through the ordinary business of the bank, during our banking hours, and to avoid that interruption to which we must necessarily be subjected. There is no disposition on the part of this institution, to subject your committee to the slightest inconvenience or delay, in discharging the duties conferred upon you by the Legislature. At the hour above named, we shall be prepared to receive the committee and proceed with the investigation.

Your obed't servant,

J. S. POLLARD, *President.*

WEDNESDAY, *January 18th, 1843.*

Committee met at the Banking House—present same members as yesterday.

The committee, before proceeding to an examination of the Bank, administered the following oath to M. C. Clarkson, cashier of said bank :

You make oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that the *specie funds* which you shall exhibit, to be counted by the special committee appointed by the House of Delegates, are *bona fide* the funds of this bank; that none of said specie has been borrowed for a temporary or special purpose, or belongs to any other banking institution, or has been deposited to the credit of any person or persons, as special depositors. Cashier sworn.

The following exhibits were then handed to the committee :