

1st.—The Bank is a private incorporated institution, and acting under a charter granted by the Legislature of Maryland, and, in said capacity, is alone amenable to the laws of Maryland.

2nd.—There has been representations of the most foul and disrespectful character, made by parties who are in all respects the enemies of the Bank, and whose objects are to injure and destroy the Bank.

3rd.—The Bank has, under all and every circumstance, and at all times, and upon all occasions, redeemed its circulation in gold and silver, (or in notes of other Banks when preferred,) and acted in accordance with the duties prescribed by the charter granted by the General Assembly of Maryland, during the time that we have acted in the capacity of officers, and been connected with the Bank.

4th.—That some of the parties who signed themselves as Directors, (viz: J. McGonigal and T. Nuttle,) were, at the time, indebted to the Bank, (T. Nuttle under protest,) and many others who signed the petition were, at the time, indebted to the Bank, and also, therefore, prejudiced against the interests of the Bank.

5th.—For these and other reasons which we will make known to your Honorable Body, we beg leave to enter our protest.

6th.—Although we have entered our protest for the above reasons, yet, at the same time, we respectfully request a full examination of the affairs of the Bank, and for the purpose of facilitating said examination, most respectfully submit to the Committee appointed by your Honorable Body, all the affairs and assets of the Bank, hoping it may, in all respects, prove worthy of the confidence reposed in it by the charter.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

SPENCER HITCH,
President.

G. W. GOLDSBOROUGH,
C. BRETZ,
P. D. BURGHER,
CHAS. D. GAGE,
JOHN H. BRADLEY,
Directors.

Greensborough, Md., January 31, 1856.

The above are the only Directors residing in Greensborough.