

said society by their memorial, and the witnesses brought forward in support of it, the question was put, That the said society, in the part they took in support of the said petitioners, have conducted themselves in a most uncandid, unjustifiable, and oppressive manner, and their conduct cannot be justified upon any principle by which good citizens ought to be actuated? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Lecompte, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messrs.	Carroll,	Chesley,	Cockey,	Oldham,	O'Bryon,	Douglafs,
	Hopewell,	T. Gantt, jun.	Tilghman,	Bowie,	Barnes,	Swearingen,
	T. Bond,	Craik,	Waggaman,	T. Marshall,	Dennis,	Oneale,
	J. Ringgold,	Hawkins,	Denwood,	Clark,	Holland,	Turner,
	J. Worthington,	M'Pherfon,	Lowes,	T. Gantt,	J. P. Marshall,	Beall,
	Mercer,	Chapman,	Goldsbrough,	Quynn,	P. Smith,	Cresap,
	N. Worthington,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Eccleston,	Duvall,	Love,	Tomlinfon,
	Wilkinson,	Ridgely,	Miller,	Seney,	Pinkney,	Jacob. 48.

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	Comegys,	Sherwood,	R. Bond,	Beatty,	Prall,	S. Smith,
	Scott,	Lecompte,	Hollingsworth,	Burkhart,	Wilson,	M'Mecheu. 15.
	Gough,	Frazier,	Key,			

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

RESOLVED, That the memorial of the said society is indecent, illiberal, and highly reprehensible, and moreover is as untrue as it is illiberal.

On motion, the question was put, That it is the opinion of this house, that in all cases of petitions for freedom now depending in any court of law of this state, except on appeal, where a similar petition or petitions, at the suit of the same party or parties, have been heretofore filed and dismissed, the court, before whom such petitions are depending, shall order a stay of all proceedings until the costs of the former petition or petitions, and all reasonable damages and expences sustained by the master or masters, have been paid, or secured to be paid? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Comegys, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messrs.	Carroll,	T. Gantt, jun.	Tilghman,	Oldham,	O'Bryon,	Douglafs,
	Hopewell,	Craik,	Waggaman,	Bowie,	Barnes,	Swearingen,
	T. Bond,	Hawkins,	Denwood,	T. Marshall,	Dennis,	Oneale,
	J. Ringgold,	M'Pherfon,	Lowes,	Clark,	Holland,	Turner,
	J. Worthington,	Chapman,	Goldsbrough,	T. Gantt,	J. P. Marshall,	Beall,
	Mercer,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Eccleston,	Quynn,	P. Smith,	Cresap,
	N. Worthington,	Ridgely,	Miller,	Duvall,	Love,	Tomlinfon,
	Wilkinson,	Gough,	Hollingsworth,	Seney,	Pinkney,	Jacob. 50.
	Chesley,	Cockey,				

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	Comegys,	Lecompte,	R. Bond,	Beatty,	Prall,	S. Smith,
	Scott,	Frazier,	Key,	Burkhart,	Wilson,	M'Mecheu. 13.
	Sherwood,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this house, that if any petition for freedom shall hereafter be filed in any court of law in this state, and dismissed, and a second petition filed at the suit of the same party, the court, in which such second petition may be filed, shall order a stay of all proceedings until the costs of the former petition, and all reasonable damages and expences sustained by the master, to be ascertained by the court, have been paid, or secured to be paid.

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this house, that in all cases where any petition for freedom shall be filed in any county court against any citizen or citizens of this state, the court shall inquire whether the master or masters be resident of the county, and if not, that such petition be dismissed.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill pursuant to the proposition and resolutions last mentioned. **ORDERED,** That Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Mercer, Mr. Duvall, Mr. Craik and Mr. Carroll, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The following question being propounded to the house, viz. Whereas the people of Maryland have happily an efficient government, adequate to all the purposes of society, and have subsisting laws, which, as administered by our courts of judicature, have been found abundantly sufficient to protect all descriptions of people in the enjoyment of their rights and privileges, without the intervention of any association of men whatever; therefore, **RESOLVED,** That the society for the abolition of slavery, established in Baltimore-town, is altogether unnecessary; their conduct, as disclosed in the case of the Messieurs Dorseys, already become oppressive, and subversive of the rights of our citizens; and the principles of their association, as submitted to the house, repugnant to the laws and constitution of the state. The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messrs.	Carroll,	Chesley,	Goldsbrough,	T. Marshall,	Holland,	Swearingen,
	Hopewell,	T. Gantt, jun.	Frazier,	T. Gantt,	J. P. Marshall,	Oneale,
	T. Bond,	Waggaman,	Eccleston,	Quynn,	Burkhart,	Beall,
	Comegys,	Denwood,	Miller,	Seney,	Love,	Tomlinfon,
	Mercer,	Lowes,	Bowie,	Dennis,	Douglafs,	Jacob. 31.
	Wilkinson,					

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