

delay to the treasurer of the Western Shore, the balance of the principal that may appear to be due from the securities of Thomas Pollard, late sheriff of Allegany county, on the accounts for the year 1813, then and in that case, they, each and every of them as securities for said Thomas Pollard, their heirs, executors and administrators, are hereby released, exonerated and forever discharged from any and all claim of interest that may have accrued on the balance of the account for the year 1813 aforesaid, due the state of Maryland.

By Order,

Thomas W. Watkins, Cl'k.

Which was read the first and second time by special order, assented to and sent to the senate.

Mr. Nicols, from the select committee, to which was referred so much of the executive communication, as relates to communications from the executive of the several states of Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Delaware and Virginia; delivered the following reports:

The select committee to which was referred so much of the executive communication as relates to a report and resolutions, respecting the tariff and internal improvements of the legislature of Maine, have had the same under consideration, and respectfully submit the following resolutions:

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That although the government of the United States, has not the power of executing a system of internal improvement, expressly granted to it by the constitution, yet conceiving that power to be necessary for carrying into execution a general power, which has been granted, ought in raising revenue, to consider internal improvement among the purposes for which it can lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises.

*Resolved,* That the tariff of duties on imports, ought to be so modified, as having regard to the protection of the labor and industry of the country, that the receipts from them and all other sources of public income, should not greatly exceed the ordinary charges of the government, and the means of executing the most essential lines of inter-communication throughout the Union.

*Resolved,* That his excellency the governor, be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolutions to each of the senators and representatives of this state, in the congress of the United States, and to the executives of each of the states, with a request that the same may be laid before their respective legislatures.