ENOCH PRATT FREE LIBRARY

Governor argues that at the present number sold, $100,000 additional revenue might be brought into the Treasury of the State.

It is suggested that a provision, now operative only against the clerks of the county courts with reference to a part of the revenue, be enacted with reference to all the public revenue collected by clerks of county courts and registers of wills, requiring them to pay quarterly the amount received by them, and a failure to do so, to be declared a misdemeanor in office, and the Executive, "upon the rendition of a verdict against the delinquent, to consider the office vacant, and appoint some other person to fill it."

The report of the Treasurer is referred to with a handsome testimonial of his merit.

The works of internal improvement, and the interest of the State therein, are appropriately referred to; and the fact stated that since the reduction of the fare upon the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, for the transportation of passengers on the Washington branch, the State has received from the past three months an increased revenue of $1,279 47.

The building of one or more tobacco warehouses in the city of Baltimore is recommended.

The Maryland Penitentiary has in consequence of the judicious management of the past few years, ceased to be an expense to the State.

Some amendments are very properly recommended in the existing criminal law of the State with regard to the punishment of slaves.

The fact that standard weights and measures have been prepared for delivery to the levy courts of the several counties, in conformity with the act of Congress of 1836, is announced.

The Message closes with a patriotic reference to the existing difficulties between Great Britain and the United States, and suggests that the question of title with regard to Oregon, if it can be adjusted in no other way, be settled by arbitration.

MARYLAND LEGISLATURE.

Monday. Dec. 29th.—Agreeably to the Constitution, the Legislature of Maryland met to-day. There was a pretty general attendance at the hour of meeting.

SENATE.

The Senate met at 12 o'clock, and was called to order by JOSEPH H. NICHOLSON, Esq., the former Chief Clerk.

On motion, Dr. WILLIAM WILLIAMS was unanimously re-elected President.

The Senate, after some unimportant preliminary business, adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

Tuesday.—JOSEPH H. NICHOLSON, Esq., was re-elected Chief Clerk.

JOHN N. WATKINS, Esq., was re-elected Assistant Clerk.

Messrs. GIBSON and GORDON, Committee Clerks of the last session, were re-elected.

Mr. ANDREW SLICER was re-elected Messenger.

No door-keeper was appointed.

Messages were sent to the House relative to the organization and waiting upon the Governor.

Mr. PHELPS submitted a proposition inquiring into the propriety of establishing biennial sessions.

Wednesday.—Mr. SELLMAN, from the committee on Elections, submitted a report embodying the testimony, &c. taken in the case of the contested seat between Messrs. QUYNN and ROSS, of Frederick county.—Ordered to be printed.

The Governor's Message was received and read.

Mr. SAMUEL PEACO was re-elected door-keeper.

Thursday.—The Senate met. Prayer was made by the Rev. Mr. VAN DUSEN, Chaplain. Without transacting any business of interest, it adjourned.

Friday.—The resolutions from the House, relative to fortifying Sollers' Point, were referred to a committee.

The usual resolutions of respect to the late THOMAS WHEELER, of Caroline, were passed.

The Senate adjourned over till Monday.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

Monday, Dec. 29th.—GEO. G. BREWER, Esq., the late Chief Clerk, at 12 o'clock, called the body to order, when 74 members appeared, qualified by taking the usual oath, and took their seats. The House thereupon adjourned.

Tuesday.—The House met at 12 o'clock, and was called to order by GEORGE G. BREWER, Esq.

The delegates then proceeded to the election of officers.

WILLIAM S. WATERS, Esq. of Somerset county, and DANIEL S. BISER, Esq. of Frederick county, were put in nomination for Speaker. The result was 40 ballots for the former, and 37 for the latter gentleman.

GEORGE G. BREWER, Esq., was elected Chief Clerk.

ELI DUVALL, Esq, elected Assistant.

J. J. BOMBGARDNER, G. W. DAWSON, JAMES MCCORMICK, C. H. HARDCASTLE, T. W. RIDER, were elected Committee Clerks.

BENJAMIN L. GANTT, elected Sergeant-at-Arms.

SAMUEL WHITTINGTON, elected Door-keeper.

A message was sent to the Senate announcing the organization of the House.

On motion of Mr. BISER, the committee on the Constitution hereafter to be appointed, were directed to report a bill for the call of a Convention to reform the Constitution of Maryland. It was laid on the table.

Mr. BERRY offered an order directing a bill to be reported to repeal the 5th section of the Act of December session 1814, chap. 309, in relation to illegal voting. Adopted.

The usual committee to wait on the Governor was appointed.

Mr. HARRINGTON, of Caroline, announced the death of THOMAS H. WHEELER, Esq. one of his colleagues, in a few remarks.—Resolutions directing the wearing of crape, &c. were adopted.

Wednesday.—Messrs. BOWIE and THOMAS, from the joint committee appointed to wait on the Governor, stated that they had discharged that duty, and reported that his Excellency would make a communication at 12 o'clock.

Mr. BERRY moved to reconsider the vote of the previous day, referring an order relative to repealing the law requiring the *stamping of naturalization* papers, to the committee on Elections, with a view to refer it to a select committee. It was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Message of the Governor was received and read, and 1000 copies ordered.

Mr. BERRY offered resolutions expressive of the sense of the House, on the subject of making "distinctions" between native and naturalized citizen. Laid over under a rule.

Thursday.—The Rev. Mr. STEELE, of the M. E. Church, Chaplain, appeared and officiated in that capacity.

Mr. VANSANT submitted a preamble and resolutions, urging the Senators and Representatives from this State in Congress, to suggest and vote for an appropriation for the erection of suitable fortifications on Sollers' Point Flats. They were read by special order, and passed.

Several leaves were granted to report bills.

Friday.—After the reading of the journal the several standing committees were announced.

The resolution of instruction to the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, relative to any action they might take in reference to the naturalization laws, was passed. No body objecting.

Saturday.—Mr. REEDER presented a petition from citizens of Charles, praying that the punishment of [illegible] ment, may be commuted to [illegible] and transportation beyond the limits of the United States.

Mr. REEDER submitted an order, calling on the President of the Colonization Society for information relative to the number of colonists at Liberia, the number of slaves and free transported since 1840, the amount and location of their lands, their commerce, agriculture, &c. &c.

Mr. MCLANE obtained leave to report a bill to amend and modify the income tax law, passed at Dec. session 1841, ch. 325.

In connection with the above leave, Mr. McL. submitted the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, The real *wealth* or income of a State consists in the united produce of agricultural, mechanical, manufacturing, commercial, professional and other branches of industry and constitutes the fund from which the necessaries and comforts of life required by the people, as well as the *revenue* of the State should be provided—and the part available for this *last* object must of necessity be the surplus left after the *first* has been fully provided and secured.

Resolved, That all excess of revenue above the ordinary and most economical expenditure of the State, should be appropriated to the full payment of the absolute existing debts and obligations of the State, principal and interest.

Resolved, That so long as the surplus wealth of the State is sufficient to furnish a greater revenue than is required for the payment of interest on the public debt, the State is solvent, and no compromise of her obligations can be honorably adjusted.

Mr. MCLANE, in presenting these propositions, said he felt called upon to do so in consideration of the inequality and unjustness of existing tax laws. He desired that wealth in all forms should be reached. The city of Baltimore would have to pay a very large portion of the tax, but it was right and proper her citizens should have the choice of meeting their obligations as might best suit their interests. The great monied interests should be reached. He would not vote to repeal any existing law until a substitute should be enacted, but the crying injustice of existing laws called for speedy remedy. The honor and credit of the State must be preserved.

Mr. JOHNSON congratulated Mr McL. upon the resolve not to touch any existing revenue law till the deficiency accruing from its repeal should be replaced by other means. He doubted, however, the resort to an extension of the income law as a remedy.

Mr. MURRAY favored the propositions.

Mr. VANSANT declared, most unequivocally, that whatever might be the result, he should move a repeal of the "stamp act."—No consideration of policy should bind him to retain in force a law so universally proclaimed to be oppressive and unjust.

Mr. BOWIE declared the whole system of taxing incomes, &c., as unconstitutional, and, as such, he should oppose its extension.

Mr. CLAGETT favored the taxing of the gross receipts of all classes.

The whole subject was finally referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. JOHNSON reported a bill to prevent the payment of money out of the Treasury to persons indebted to the State, which was passed.

The House adjourned.

THE TIMES.

PORT TOBACCO, MD.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 8, 1846.

GOV. PRATT, we learn, has not been able, from indisposition, to attend the Executive Chamber, since the organization of the Legislature. He will probably be out in a few days.

The nomination of GEO. R. RICHARDSON, Esq., as Attorney General of Maryland, was confirmed by the Senate on Friday last.

THE STATE TREASURER.—The testimony which the Governor bears to the character and merits of that excellent officer, is strong and well deserved. "His ability, his untiring energy, and unbending honesty, eminently qualify him (says the Message) for the discharge of the arduous duties of this office at the present critical juncture."

EX-GOVERNOR JAMES THOMAS, of St. Mary's, died at his residence on Christmas day, in the 62d year of his age, of typhoid fever, with which he lingered a long time. The Patriot says—"Gov. T. was a most excellent and worthy man, and belonged to the old school of Maryland gentlemen. He filled in his life various public trusts under the State, and closed his public career as Governor of Maryland, in 1835, to which office he had been elected by the Legislature of the State. In every relation of life he discharged his duty faithfully and energetically, and by his many virtues, attached to him a large body of friends throughout the State, who will hear of his death with deep regret."

The receipts of grain, says the Patriot of Saturday, of every description, in consequence of unfavorable weather and navigation being partially closed, have been very light. The inspections of flour for the past week have been about equal to those of the week previous. We would remark that there is rather better feeling in the flour market to-day, owing to the advance in N. York.

SMALL POX.—We regret to learn, says the Leonardtown Beacon, that the small pox has made its appearance in St. Mary's county. Three persons in the factory district are said to be laboring under its effects—Mr. Dilahay, his daughter, and a young man named Hammett, who contracted the disease on board of the vessel owned by Capt. Boothe, who died at Nottingham a short time since.

The small pox has also made its appearance in Queen Anne and Kent counties in this State.

We have received the January No. of the *American Farmer*, and find in its ample pages, as usual, much ineteresting matter to the Farmer and Gardener.

The Culturist, conducted by Wm. J. A. Bradford, is a new monthly journal in quarto form of sixteen pages, printed in Baltimore city, and devoted to "husbandry, pastoral affairs, and kindred subjects."

The Western Continent, a new weekly paper of the mammoth size has just made its appearance in Baltimore, published by Taylor, Wilde & Co., and edited by Park Benjamin, Esq. It is neatly printed and is filled with excellent reading matter, suited to all tastes.

The Baltimore American makes quite a handsome appearance in new type and enlarged dimensions. The zeal and industry of the editors keep pace with the increasing patronage bestowed upon that journal.

TEXAS.—An election was held in Texas on the 15th ult., for Governor and members of the Legislature. The returns indicate that J. P. Henderson is elected Governor. It is regarded as certain that Gen. S. Houston will be elected one of the U. S. Senators.

The House of Delegates of Virginia, on Thursday last, passed unanimously a bill divorcing Mrs. Thomas from her husband, ex-Governor Thomas. She is to assume her maiden name.

WM. SMITH, Esq., was duly sworn in as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, on Thursday last.

THE CHESS MATCH.—The match between Messrs. Stanley and Rosseau, at New Orleans, has resulted in Mr. Stanley winning the first fifteen games. It stood at the close, Stanley 15, Rosseau 8, drawn 8.

CONFUCIUS AND CHRIST.—A writer in the New York Tribune says there is "food for thought" in the following extract from a report of one of Mr. Webster's lectures:

"In philosophy and religion, Confucius was the apostle of the Chinese. He did not pretend to be a prophet. His teachings were calculated to make men better in this world without direct and particular reference to another existence, which was rather to be hoped for than counted certain. The Chinese say that Confucius told them a prophet would appear in the West, in about five hundred years, to whom they must apply for spiritual guidance. At the expiration of this time, they sent as far West as India to find the foretold prophet, but were unsuccessful. As Confucius flourished five hundred years before Christ, it is surmised that his direction had reference to the Saviour."

A sensible writer observes that those who pay compliments seldom pay anything else.

Mrs. Sedgwick beautifully remarks that "children are like mile stones, set along the road, reminding us of the distance we have gone on the journey of life." Some families, it is true, place their mile stones only about a rod apart.

MARRIED,

On Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Mr. THOMAS Y. ROBEY to Miss ELIZA DYSON, all of this county.

DIED,

At her residence, near Piscataway, P. George's county, Md., on the morning of the 27th ult., Mrs. MARY PARKER, at an advanced age.

NOTICE.

The Trustees of Primary Schools in Charles County, and all others who feel interested in the well-being of said Schools, are respectfully requested to meet in Port Tobacco on MONDAY the 19th instant, if fair, if not, the next fair day thereafter. It is hoped there will be a full attendance as business of importance to the schools will on that day be transacted.

jan 8.—2t

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, That the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Alexandria County, in the District of Columbia, letters Testamentary on the estate of THOMAS SWANN, late of Alexandria, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, on or before the 12th day of November next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. All those indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment.—Given under my hand this 12th day of November, in the year 1845.

WILLIAM L. POWELL, Ex'er.

JOHN CHANDLER SWANN is authorized to collect and receipt for all claims due the above estate.

WM. L. POWELL, Ex'r of
Thos. Swann, dec'd.

Alexandria, D. C., Jan. 8, 1846.*

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, That the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Charles county, letters of administration on the personal estate of PHILIP SWANN, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased's estate, are hereby warned to exhibit the same to the subscribers, properly authenticated, on or before the 1st day of August next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's estate.

Given under our hands this 6th day of January, 1846.

CATHARINE SWANN, Adm'x,
HAWKINS HANCOCK, Adm'r,
jan 8 of Philip Swann.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, That the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Charles County, Md., letters of administration on the personal estate of JAMES M. MURRAY, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same properly authenticated to the subscriber, on or before the first day of August next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's estate. Given under my hand this 6th day of January, 1846.

WILLIAM A. MUDD, Adm'r
jan 8 of James M. Murray.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, That the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Charles County, Md., letters of administration on the personal estate of JOSEPH WATSON, late of Charles county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same to the subscriber, properly authenticated, on or before the 1st day of August next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's estate. Given under my hand, this 31st day of December, 1845.

RODERICK WATSON,
jan 1,—4t. Adm'r of Jos. Watson.

CHEESE & CODFISH for sale by
ANDERSON & HUTTON.

BALTIMORE PRICES CURRENT,

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 2

COUPONS.—Sales at 78 a 79c.

FLOUR.—Howard Street Flour, $5.25.

City Mills Flour we quote at $5.25.

Rye Flour—None in market.

GRAIN.—*Wheat*—We quote white Wheat for family flour, at 110 a 115 cts.; prime reds, 105 a 108; and other sorts lower as in quality.

Rye.—Sales of Md. 75 cents.

Oats.—Sales of Md. at 42 a 43 cents.

Corn.—We quote good to best lots, both white and yellow, at 70 a 73 cents.

PROVISIONS.—We quote Bacon at previous prices, as follows:—Sides 7 1-2 a 7 3-4 cts.; Shoulders 6 1-2 a 6 3-4 cts.; Hams 8 1-2 a 9 1-2, and assorted 7 3-4 a 8. Baltimore cured hams command 9 a 10 cts.

TOBACCO.—We continue the following quotations:

Maryland inferior and common $1.50 a $2; middling to good $2 a $5; good $5.50 a $7; and fine $7.25 a $12.

The total inspections of the week are 254 hhds.

A LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post Office at Port Tobacco, for the quarter ending 31st Dec. 1845.

Crain, Peter—2	Mason, Mrs. Nancy
Cox, Hugh	Morgan, Columbus G.
Dent, Peter	Mudd, Theodore
Dent, Theofulous	Millar, Col. Walter
Dement, Mrs. Elizabeth	Neale, James
Dyson, Robert	Neale, Bennett
Dyson, G. M. Adjutant,	Pye, Mrs. Mary M.
Gray, John W.	Pelups, Thos. H.
Garner, Miss Mary E.	Renner, Wm. P.
Hamilton, William—2	Reeder, Robert S.
Hamilton, Mrs. Ann	Reyno, Friend
Haislip, Silas B.	Stone, Frederick
Hanson, J. J.	Simmons, Wm.
Hardy, Miss Caroline	Savage, James O.—2
Hughes, Col. John—2	Scott, Zachariah
Janes, Mrs. Mary	Turner, Mrs. James H.
Jenifer, Daniel	Thompson, G. T.
Kroes, Rev. P.	Thompson, Col. Wm.
Sames, Mrs. Ann	Thompson, Col. Francis
Lancaster, F. Wash'n	Williams, Mrs. Elizabeth
Matthews, Gen. John	Welch, Edward
Milsted, Thos. E.	Wills & Cooksey, Messrs.
Milsted, Richard	Venerts, Mrs. Wm. F.

Persons calling for the above-named letters will say they are advertised, or otherwise they may not receive them.

P. DAVIS, P. M.

jan. 8—3t.

PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

THE subscriber being authorised by the heirs of Joseph Watson, late of Charles County, deceased, will offer at public sale, in the town of Port Tobacco, on TUESDAY the 20th day of January instant, a tract of LAND, called "ABERDEEN," containing

308 ACRES,

more or less, situated in Charles County, about four miles from Port Tobacco and five from the Potomac river, and adjoins the lands of John A. Pye, Henry S. Mitchell, and others. This Land is well watered, and abounds in wood and timber, for which Port Tobacco affords a ready market. The soil is well adapted to the common staples of the county, particularly Tobacco. The improvements are a new unfinished frame Dwelling, new Barn and Cornhouse.

☞Terms will be made known on the day of Sale.

RODERICK WATSON.

jan 1.—ts.

NOTICE.

I RESPECTFULLY but positively forbid all persons from hunting with dog, gun or otherwise, or in any manner trespassing upon that portion of St. Thomas' Manor which I occupy.

jan 1.—3t. JAS. F. STONE.

HORSES FOR SALE.

THE subscriber will sell four or five head of Horses low for cash, or on a credit of six months, the purchaser giving approved security. Some of them are good harness horses and the others colts about four years old, not broke.

dec 25. S. H. BEALL.

NOTICE.

ALL persons are directed not to trespass upon my Farm, either with dog or gun, or in any other manner. The law will be rigidly enforced against all violating this prohibition.

WALTER MITCHELL.

dec 11—tf.

LUMBER! LUMBER!!

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED a large lot of *prime white pine cullen Plank*. Also, a small lot of *Staves, &c.*, for tobacco hogsheads. All of which I will sell low for cash.

HENRY A. NEALE,
Port Tobacco Warehouse, Dec. 4, 1845.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between BEALL & HODGES is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the firm are respectfully requested to call and settle their indebtedness, on or before the first January next. All accounts not closed either by cash or note by that time, will be placed in an officer's hands for collection, without respect to persons.

SAMUEL H. BEALL,
WM. M. HODGES.

Oct. 23, 1845.—1cowtjan1