

the opinion that such is the proper construction of the Act of 1827. If I am correct, then the nomination above made is valid, because there are but seventeen Auctioneers now in commission. The application for the appointment of Auctioneer was made by Mr. Truor, after the expiration of the fifty days; otherwise his nomination would have been sent in within that period.

The decision of this question is of much practical importance to the business community, as well as to individuals. The State, which derives a large revenue from the licenses of Auctioneers, is also interested in the result.

E. Louis Love

March 1st. 1853.

The Governor, upon the petition of numerous respectable citizens of Talbot County, assigned James Lloyd Martin, Esquire, of Talbot County, as counsel to assist in the prosecution of Theodore R. Lookman, charged with an assault to commit a murder.

2<sup>d</sup>.

The Governor transmitted to the General Assembly, the following Message:

Executive Department,  
March 2<sup>d</sup>. 1853.

To the General Assembly,  
Gentlemen:

I have the honor herewith to transmit a copy of a communication just received by me from His Excellency, the Governor of Virginia; a copy of an Act of the Legislature of that State incorporating the North and South Rail Road Company; and a copy of a resolution of that Honorable Body authorizing His Excellency "to request the States of Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey to take into consideration the expediency of granting respectively such right of way to a rail road or rail roads as may be necessary to connect the City of Philadelphia, Baltimore or New York, or all three of those Cities, with the North and South Rail Road, &c."

I respectfully recommend the subject to your early attention. If in the judgment of your Honorable Body, the project shall be found to be consistent with the interests of this State, comity will dictate a prompt response to the wishes of Virginia.

E. Louis Love