

Levin Gale, Henry Jackson, and John Stewart, to settle, secure, and collect, the debts of the said John Bell, and that no suits ought to be brought for the recovery of any debt or debts due to the said John Bell before the first day of March 1784, unless the debtor or debtors refuse to settle their account, and give bond with security for the payment thereof, to the said Levin Gale, Henry Jackson, and John Stewart, their executors, administrators, or assigns, or is about to remove out of the state, in which case or cases suits ought to be allowed to be brought. That the said Levin Gale, Henry Jackson, and John Stewart, be empowered first to apply so much of the money, tobacco, or other effects, collected or secured, due to the said John Bell, as is necessary, to the discharge and payment of all debts and engagements for which the said Levin Gale, Henry Jackson, and John Stewart, as agents, are answerable, and the residue (if any) to be paid to the creditors of the said John Bell, and any balance, after paying the creditors as aforesaid, to be paid to the treasurer of the western or eastern shore. That the said Levin Gale, Henry Jackson, and John Stewart, ought to be obliged to give bond with security, in a sum to be approved by the governor and council, for the faithful execution of the powers given them, and the due application of the monies, tobaccos, and other effects, by them secured or collected. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Kent, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the vestrymen of St. Mary-Anne's parish, in Cæcil county, beg leave to report, that they are of opinion the facts therein contained are true, and that an act ought to pass agreeable to the prayer of said petition. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

G. RANKEN, clk.

Which was read.

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker an address from Alexander C. Hanson, one of the judges of the general court, representing the depreciated state in which he was obliged to receive the salaries allowed him, and praying the spirit of his contract with the public for the two last years might be complied with, endorsed; "By the senate, November 29, 1782: "Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was read; and Mr. Kent, Mr. Hindman, and Mr. Done, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Dashiell, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to regulate the militia; and, a bill, entitled, An act to ascertain the property of the citizens of this state carried off or destroyed by the enemy during the present war; which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. N. Worthington, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee appointed to enquire what laws have or will expire this session, beg leave to report, that the following laws will expire at the close thereof: An act for the more effectual punishment of certain offenders, and for taking from them the benefit of clergy, passed April session 1737. An act relating to public roads, passed November session 1779. An act relating to the estates of deceased persons, passed November session 1779. An act for the relief of those who have and may suffer by the British army, passed June session 1780. An act for enlarging the powers of the governor and council, passed November session 1779. A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for enlarging the powers of the governor and council, passed same session. An act to authorise the lieutenants of the militia to appoint field days, and to direct the payment and mode of recovering militia fines in specie, or the value, passed October session 1780. An act concerning estates tail, and the jurisdiction of the county courts, passed June session 1773. An act to continue an act, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees, and for other purposes, passed October session 1780. An act for the speedy conveyance of public letters and packets, and for other purposes, passed same session. A supplement to the act for the regulation of the staple of tobacco, passed same session. An additional supplement to the act for the regulation of the staple of tobacco, passed May session 1781. An act concerning nonjurors, passed November session 1781.—An act to regulate the militia, passed June session 1777, will expire on the first day of January next. A supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act to regulate the militia, passed October session 1777, will expire same time. An additional supplement to the act to regulate the militia, passed March session 1778, will expire same time.—An act to increase the allowance of jurymen attending the general court, passed April session 1782; An act to encourage the destroying of wolves, passed May session 1781; will expire at the close of the session.—An act to appoint an intendant of the revenue and all public monies, will expire on the first day of February next. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

ORDERED,