

T U E S D A Y, December 4, 1787.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The order of the day, referred from the last to the present session, respecting the public buildings of Caroline county, was read, and the question put, That leave be given to bring in a bill to determine by election where the court-house and prison of Caroline county shall be built? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Downes, appeared as follow :

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

Messieurs	Abell,	Parnham,	Shaw,	Duvall,	Scott,	Cellars,
	Key,	Cockey,	Craufurd,	Jackfon,	Norris,	Burgess,
	Nicholls,	Ridgely,	Digges,	Henry,	Loockerman,	Oneale,
	Read,	Sherwood,	Quynn,	Faw,	Walker,	Griffith.
	Dent,	Hayward,				26.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Harwood,	Gale,	Lecompte,	S. Miller,	Brown,	Johnson,
	N. Worthington,	Stewart,	Bravard,	John Seney,	Purnell,	Downes,
	B. Worthington,	Adams,	Bond,	Joshua Seney,	Mitchell,	Taylor.
	Taney,	Pattison,				20.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That Mr. Loockerman, Mr. McMechen, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Duvall and Mr. Walker, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Ridgely brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for recording a deed from Richard Wiley to William Hunter, late of Baltimore county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. W. Bowie appeared in the house.

The report on the petition of Martin Stake, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

Whereas Bennett Hamilton, of Charles county, by his petition, hath set forth, that he and a certain Peter Green (who is since insolvent) became securities for Edward Green, one of the deputy collectors for Charles Mankin, late sheriff and collector of the public tax for said county; that a balance of upwards of three hundred pounds remains due on his bond, on which he hath been sued, and judgment obtained; and that the whole risk and trouble of the collection having devolved on him, he finds on the books of the said deputy collector debts to the amount of about forty pounds which are insolvent, an allowance for which he prays may be made him; which appearing just and reasonable; **RESOLVED,** That the commissioners of the tax for Charles county, be and they are hereby authorized and directed, on application to them by the said Bennett Hamilton, and on his making it fully appear, that such insolvencies were not in consequence of his carelessness or neglect, to make him an allowance therefor; and the treasurer of the western shore is hereby empowered to credit whatever insolvencies may be allowed by the said commissioners the said Hamilton on the bond of Charles Mankin.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Nicholls.

A petition from William Steuart, of Somerset county, praying an act may pass empowering the justices of Somerset county to levy on the property assessed in the said county the amount of two hogsheds of tobacco, stolen out of Greenhill warehouse on the first day of October, seventeen hundred and eighty-six, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Gale, Mr. Craufurd and Mr. Quynn, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill concerning pardons. **ORDERED,** That Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Duvall and Mr. Joshua Seney, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of Mordecai Amos, was read the second time and concurred with.

A petition from John Beall, late collector of Prince-George's county, praying a further time to complete his collection, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Craufurd, Mr. Digges, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. W. Bowie and Mr. Ridgely, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Downes has leave of absence.

On motion, the question was put, That the remonstrance of Thomas Johnson, junior, have a second reading on Friday next, and that he be heard by counsel at the bar of the house, agreeably to the prayer thereof? Determined in the negative.

George Gale, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act to appropriate certain land to the use of the officers and soldiers of this state, and for the sale of vacant lands, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table."

"By order

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 3, 1787: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

The report on the petition of George Jacob Schly, was read the second time and concurred with. Leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

The petition of Elizabeth Dulany, was read the second time and rejected.