

THE committee to whom the petition of Hannah Carter, of Montgomery county, was referred, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the facts therein stated entitle her to the interposition of the legislature. All which is submitted to the house.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Reintzel, Mr. Oneale and Mr. Ridgely, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A remonstrance from William Taggart, of Baltimore county, counter to the petition of George Liggett, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petitions of insolvent debtors.

A petition from Edward Hyland, of Cæcil county, stating, that his property was executed for a debt due to the state, as security of a certain Jacob Lum, collector of the public assessment and taxes of Cæcil county, that his friends lent him the money to discharge the debt due to the state, as security aforesaid, which he is unable to pay, and praying relief, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Winchester, Mr. Barroll and Mr. Hyland, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Nathaniel Sliney and wife, of Queen-Anne's county, praying an act may pass to enable them to dispose of his wife's moiety of part of a tract of land called Friendship, which descended to her from her late father John Spaldwin, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Nicholson, Mr. C. Frazier and Mr. Brown, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Ridout, from the committee of elections and privileges, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report :

THE committee of elections and privileges report, that by the return of the commissioners of Baltimore-town it appears, that James Winchester, Esquire, is duly elected a delegate for said town in the room of Robert Smith, Esquire, who resigned.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

The following resolutions were moved and seconded :

RESOLVED, That \_\_\_\_\_ be and he is hereby authorized and required immediately to subscribe, on behalf of this state, \_\_\_\_\_ shares to the bank of Baltimore.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed and authorized to pay to the order of the president and directors of the bank of Baltimore the one moiety or half part of the amount of the said shares, on or before the 27th day of December instant, and the residue on the first Monday of December, 1797.

Which were read.

ORDERED, That the same have a second reading on Thursday next.

The report on the petition of the securities of Thomas Gibson, late sheriff of Harford county, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Jarrett, Mr. Prall and Mr. Montgomery, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Joshua Driver, a delegate returned for Caroline county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolution in favour of Benjamin Moreton, endorsed ; " By the senate, November 24, 1796 : Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

" By the senate, December 6, 1796 : Read the second time and dissented from.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

The following message :

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 6, 1796.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have dissented from your resolution in favour of Benjamin Moreton, conceiving it inadequate to the relief intended, and herewith send to your house a bill which has passed the senate upon that subject.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

Which was read.

A bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Benjamin Moreton, of Baltimore county, endorsed ; " By the senate, December 6, 1796 : Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to repeal the thirty-third section of the act therein mentioned, endorsed ; " By the senate, November 30, 1796 : Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

" By the senate, December 6, 1796 : Read the second time and will not pass.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

The bill to allow further time for collecting the balances due to Thomas O'Bryon, late sheriff and collector of Queen-Anne's county, deceased, endorsed ; " By the senate, November 30, 1796 : Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk.

" By the senate, December 6, 1796 : Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

" By order,

A. VAN-HORN, clk."

Amend-