

MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1786.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, January 6, 1786.

ORDERED, That the memorial of Henry Harford, Esq; and all the proceedings thereon, be published in the Maryland Gazette and Baltimore Journal, and that the printer strike two hundred copies of the said proceedings for the use of the general assembly.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

To the honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, the MEMORIAL OF HENRY HARFORD, late proprietor.

AN appeal to the dictates of equity and the feelings of humanity is, with peculiar propriety, addressed to the representatives of a free state; and the many instances of benevolent interposition, which have dignified the acts of former assemblies since the revolution, evince, that the genuine principles of liberty are equally averse from unmerited severity and indiscriminate punishment.

The difficulties, expence, and dangers incurred by his ancestors, in originally peopling a country, whose inhabitants now rejoice in the smiles of freedom, forbid him to expect that their exertions will terminate in the ruin of a descendant, whose conduct has never been inimical to the American cause.

Your memorialist respectfully represents, that he was a minor at the commencement of the late war, and placed during his infancy under the guardianship of the chancellor of Great Britain, which pre-

A STATE of part of the Loss sustained by HENRY HARFORD, Esq; late proprietor of Maryland.

Table with 2 columns: Description of loss and Amount in Sterling. Includes 'The annual amount of his quit-rents for 1774, being the last accounts settled, 8513 6 2'.

Amount from the 29th of September 1773 to 29th September 1774, 8993 3 6

Arrears on £. 8993 3 6, from the 29th of September 1774 to the 29th of September 1784, is 10 years, 89931 15 0

Deduct for payments acknowledged by the agent on account of 1775, 809 13 4

Annual amount of quit-rents £. 8518 6 2, valued at 20 years purchase, 170366 3 4

MANORS and RESERVED LANDS, viz.

Table with 3 columns: Description of manor/land, Acres, and Value. Includes 'Monocacy manor and the reserve thereon, as returned by the surveyor, 13148 at 30s 19672 0 0'.

Part of the above manors, valued in this schedule at about £. 42,000 sterling, have been sold by the state's commissioners for upwards of £. 116,000 current money.

MONDAY, November 21, 1785.

ON motion, ORDERED, That the memorial of Henry Harford, Esq; referred from the last to the present session, be taken into consideration on Friday the second day of December next, and that he be heard by counsel if required.

FRIDAY, December 2, 1785.

The house took into consideration the order of the day respecting the memorial of Henry Harford, Esq; and after hearing counsel on behalf of the memorialist, the following motion was made, That a message be prepared to the senate to propose a confer-

ence on the subject matter of the memorial of the said Henry Harford, Esq; ORDERED, That Mr. Chafe, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Carroll, be a committee to prepare the said message.

SATURDAY, December 3, 1785.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 3, 1785.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house have heard counsel at its bar on the memorial of Mr. Harford, late proprietor of this state, in which he solicits a compensation or retribution from this government, for his confiscated property.

We are fully convinced of the justice, policy and necessity of the law passed during the late war, which confiscated British property; and that on the principle of retaliation alone, the legislature that made the act, were justified by the laws and practice of all civilized nations.

From the limited wisdom of man, but very few general laws can provide for all cases that may happen, and circumstances will often arise which the legislature would have excepted from the general rule, if they could have been foreseen.

The case of Mr. Harford is attended with such very particular circumstances, as merit, in our opinion, the peculiar attention of the general assembly, and involve such difficulties, as require the united wisdom of both branches of this government to decide.

As this state hath taken rank among the nations of the world, and in its political capacity must be considered as a moral person, under the obligations of justice, humanity, and benevolence, and we now have a national character to acquire and establish, this house, with anxious solicitude, wish, that the government may be made known and esteemed by the powers of Europe for its sacred and inviolable regard to justice and humanity, public faith and national honour; and we wish, as far as in our power, to act with liberality and generosity.

Actuated by these principles, this house have retained the memorial of Mr. Harford; and we propose a conference with your honours on the subject matter thereof.

We wish that the cause and calamities of the late war could be buried in perpetual oblivion; and are willing to make a compromise with Mr. Harford, as far as the present very distressed situation of our public affairs will permit.

If your honours agree to the conference, this house will afterwards determine what sum of money our finances will permit to be given to Mr. Harford, and the time and mode of payment.

Which was read.

TUESDAY, December 6, 1785.

The message respecting Henry Harford, Esq; was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent thereto? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Chafe appeared as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE. Messieurs Lethbrury, Pearce, Carroll, Edmondson, Waggaman, Chafe, Quinn, Sewell, Joseph Dashiell, Purnell, Downes, M'Eachen.

NEGATIVE. Messieurs Bond, Somerville, De Butts, Maxwell, B. Worthington, N. Worthington, Hall, Grahame, Taney, Gantt, Fraizer, Jones, Dent, Stone, Ridgely of Wm. Stevenson, Goldborough, Bracco, Gale, John Dashiell, Adams, Waters, Kirkman, Ennalls, Baker, Oglevee, Miller, W. Bowie, R. Bowie, F. Bowie, John Seney, Jackson, Chaille, Mitchell, Faw, Beatty, Carey, Norris, Hughlett, Stall, Cellars, Funk, Oneale, Beall.

So it was determined in the negative.

THURSDAY, December 8, 1785.

Mr. Carroll brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

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LL, } executors.

, December 2, 1785.

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JOHN SHANKS.

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A. GOLDR, clk.

November 17, 1785.

, that the inhabitants townmack river, intend general assembly now corporation of the said

October 25, 1785.

nd to petition the next commissioners for laying in said county.

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Current money.

Table with 2 columns: Amount and Description. Includes '390', '37 10', '30', '22 10', '18 15', '15', '22 10', '22 10', '24', '27', '37 10', '60', '67 10', '75', '320 12 6'.

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town, May 25, 1785.

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, November 1, 1785.

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E, Charles-Street.