

"By the house of delegates, May 26, 1788: Read the second time and will pass,  
 "By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

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

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, from the committee appointed under the act to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly, brings in and delivers to the president the following report:

THE joint committee of both houses, appointed in consequence of the act of November session, 1787, entitled, An act to compel the attendance of the members of the general assembly, beg leave to report, that several members of both houses have offered such reasons to the committee as have been deemed sufficient to excuse them from the fine imposed by the said act on the members aforesaid, to wit, John Henry, George Plater, William Hemsley, William Perry, Daniel Carroll, Richard Ridgely, Peregrine Tilghman, William Harrison, Samuel Chase, William Adams, Thomas Johnson, Charles G. Griffith, John Love, George Dent, John Stewart, Jacob Funk, Thomas Loocker, Philip Walker, Charles Ridgely, Abraham Faw, John Grahame, Lawrence Oneale, Jenkins Henry, John Pope Mitchell, Samuel Abell, Giliis Polk, John Roberts, William Matthews, Richard Potts, David McMechen, James Shaw, Aquila Scott, Andrew Bruce, Doctor Parnham, John Gale, James Steele, Henry Downes, and Thomas Sim Lee, who hath resigned, and Joshua Sency, in congress.

The committee further report, that the reasons adduced by Fielder Bowie, Esquire, did not appear sufficient to excuse him for not attending during three days, and that therefore he remains liable to a fine of three pounds, to be deducted from his allowance on the journal of accounts, as directed by the act aforesaid, as likewise colonel Uriah Forrest and William Fitzhugh, Esquires, to a fine of twenty shillings each for one day's absence; that the members mentioned in the list annexed to this report, have not attended the present session, and have not sent written resignations, nor have they offered by letter or otherwise to the committee any reasons for their not attending, and consequently are liable to a fine of twenty shillings current money per day for every day they have neglected to attend, to be computed from the day appointed for the meeting of the present session.

The committee submit to the consideration of both houses, whether it would not be proper to suspend the collection of the fines incurred by the persons named in the list subjoined, until the end of the next session, as before that time they may offer such reasons as to induce the committee to remit the fines they have respectively incurred for not attending the present session, to wit, Samuel Hughes, Josiah Johnson, Archibald Patison, Walter Bowie and George Jackson.

CHARLES CARROLL, of Carrollton,  
 Chairman of the joint committee.

Mr. Fitzhugh, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 26, 1788.

Whereas Thomas Gassaway and Robert Dorsey, securities of John Dorsey to the state, are liable to be executed for the debts of the said John Dorsey to the state, which the said John Dorsey might have paid off in final settlement certificates, under the resolutions of April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven; RESOLVED, That no execution shall issue on the said bonds of the said John Dorsey, wherein the said Thomas Gassaway and Robert Dorsey are security, until the tenth day of February next, and that the treasurer shall receive in payment for the said debts final settlement certificates, agreeably to the said resolutions, at any time before the said tenth day of February next.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

The resolution respecting the collectors of the taxes, the resolution respecting Francis Clements, and the resolution respecting Thomas Rutland, were severally read the second time by especial order and dissented to.

The resolution respecting the securities of the late Thomas Williams, and the resolution respecting Robert Long, were read the second time by especial order, assented to, and, with the above resolutions, were sent to the house of delegates by William Perry, Esquire.

Mr. Bravard, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 26, 1788.

RESOLVED, That no collection be made of the fines incurred by Samuel Hughes, Josiah Johnson, Archibald Patison, Walter Bowie and George Jackson, for not attending this session as members of the general assembly, until the end of the next session.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

And also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 26, 1788.

RESOLVED, That the forfeiture of the first payment made for confiscated property by Edward Watts, of Baltimore county, in final settlement certificates, under the resolves of April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, be remitted; and that if the said Edward Watts shall discharge the balance still remaining due on or before the first day of September next, that no execution shall be issued against him.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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

Mr. Carroll, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, MAY 26, 1788.

Whereas Samuel Norwood, Stephen Onion, and Nicholas Ruxton Moore, debtors to the state, who might, under the resolves of April session, 1787, have availed themselves by the payment of final settlement certificates, did neglect to do the same; RESOLVED, That the aforesaid persons, or any