

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

Messieurs	Read,	Freeland,	Banning,	M'Gee,	Daffin,	Alexander,
	Gresham,	Williams,	Birkhead,	Bruff,	J Hanson,	Barnes,
	Wilmer,	Winder,	Quynn,	Ringgold,	Beatty,	Sprigg,
	Lethrbury,	Dashiell,	Chafe,	Driver,	Gaunt,	Archer,
	Williamson,	S. Hanson,	J. Henry,	Keene,	Cramphin,	W. Stevenson.

N E G A T I V E.

McL.	Mackall,	Ward,	Magruder,	Burgess,	Deye,	Norris.
	Worthington,	Job,	Stricker,	Bayly,	Stull,	

So it passed in the affirmative.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met. Mr. Craufurd, Mr. B. Hall, and Mr. E. Hall, appeared in the house.

The report from the conferees being read throughout, on motion, ORDERED, That bills be prepared in pursuance of those parts of the report which are concurred with.

ORDERED, That Mr. Chafe, Mr. W. Stevenson, Mr. J. Hall, Mr. J. Hanson, Mr. M'Mechin, Mr. J. Henry, Mr. Lethrbury, Mr. Sprigg, and Mr. Key, do prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Deye brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report to the honourable house of delegates, that by the certificate of the sheriff of Washington county it appears, that Mr. John Stull is duly returned a delegate for said county:

Signed per order com.

W. H. M'PHERSON, cl.

Which was read.

Mr. Norris hath leave of absence until Monday next.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, December 7, 1779.

THE house met. Present as on yesterday, except Mr. Norris. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. B. Hall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

By the COMMITTEE to whom the petition of Joseph Cowman was referred.

YOUR committee, in obedience to the order of the honourable house, have enquired into the facts contained in the petition of the said Joseph Cowman, and thereupon report, That from deeds and other written vouchers produced to them, it appears that the said facts are truly stated.

Your committee also find, that the land, negroes, and other personal property, belonging to the said Joseph Cowman, and assessed in the hands of a certain Joseph Gill, of Montgomery county, a nonjuror, amounts, according to the assessor's return, to £. 504, and that the treble tax on that sum, which the said Joseph Cowman hath paid, amounts to £. 21 10 0.

Your committee are therefore of opinion, that two thirds of the said tax ought to be refunded by the collector to the said Joseph Cowman, and that his property in the possession of the said Joseph Gill ought in future to be exempt from being treble taxed.

All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

Signed by order,

NICH. HARWOOD, cl. com.

Which was read.

Mr. Winder brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the managers of Back-creek school; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. J. Hall appeared in the house.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

Mr. Chafe brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent distilling grain into spirit; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report from the committee appointed to enquire what laws will expire, &c. read the second time. ORDERED, That Mr. Worthington, Mr. Freeland, and Mr. M'Mechin, do prepare and bring in bills to revive and continue the act to prevent counterfeiting the paper