

Mr. Quynn, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that by the certificate of Thomas Gray, sheriff of Calvert county, it appears, that William Fitzhugh and Edward Johnson, Esquires, were duly elected delegates for said county, in the room of Levin Mackall and Charles Williamson, Esquires, resigned. Which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

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

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the relief of John Needles, of Talbot county, and Richard Clarke, of St. Mary's county, collectors of the tax. ORDERED, That Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. W. Stevenson, Mr. Mills, Mr. Oneale, and Mr. Freeland, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

The bill for the relief of William Merritt, &c. was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? Resolved in the affirmative. Sent to the senate by Mr. W. Stevenson and Mr. Magruder.

Mr. Caufin, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

By the COMMITTEE appointed to consider and report upon the petition of John and Walter Hanson.

YOUR committee, having taken the petition and other papers to them referred into their consideration, beg leave to report it as their opinion, that the said powder-mill ought to be completed with all convenient speed, and that the materials, such as saltpetre and brimstone, necessary to carry on the same, ought to be found by the state; and that the said mill would be useful to grind over all the powder belonging to the state that requires to be new ground; and your committee give it as their opinion, that all the public powder ought to be carefully examined, and such of it as may not be of sufficient strength, should be worked over again. All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

John Henry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial from captain David Hopkins, of colonel Moyland's regiment of horse, setting forth, that at the time of his appointment, he was a resident of this state, that the troop he commanded was recruited within this state, and from its inhabitants, and praying the general assembly to extend the same bounties and perquisites to himself and the soldiery of colonel Moyland's regiment, belonging to this state, as are allowed by acts and resolves of this state to their officers and soldiers; which was read.

An account of Samuel T. Wright, of expences while confined a prisoner in New-York, was laid before the house and read, and referred to the committee of claims to consider and report thereon.

The letter from Henry Addison, and the address from the inhabitants of Prince-George's county relative thereto, were read the second time, and referred to the committee appointed on the letter relative to Dr. Scott.

On motion, the question was put on the following; "Whereas much business of great consequence remains still to be finished by this house, and from the small number and impatience of some members who attend, there appears little probability that a sufficient number to compose a house to transact the necessary business will be kept together after this present week, be it therefore RESOLVED, That no member whatsoever shall be permitted to depart the house, be the number what it will, unless in cases of the most pressing and urgent necessity." Determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That this house, for the dispatch of business, will sit from half after nine to two o'clock in the afternoon, and from half after three to eight at night; and if any member shall neglect, at the call of the house, to give his attendance, or absent himself during the hours of sitting, he shall forfeit that day's allowance? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Norris appeared as follow :

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

Wilmer,
Freeland,
Caufin,

J. Stevenson,
Hammond,
Chamberlaine,

Kent,
Chase,
Dennis,

Morris,
Taylor,
M'Comas,

Norris,
Giles,
Driver,

Cramphin,
Bayly,
Oneale.

N E G A T I V E.

Mills,
Key,
W. Stevenson,
Brogden,

Dent,
Hindman,
Martin,
Lawson,

Job,
Craufurd,
Duckett,
Magruder,

Wright,
Earle,
Quynn,
Dashiell,

Gaunt,
Potts,
Johnson,

Alexander,
M'Mechen,
Hungerford.

So it was determined in the negative.

RESOLVED,