

ORDERED, That the petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore-town, relative to the market-house, and the counter petitions thereto, be taken into consideration on Saturday next, and that the petitioners and counter petitioners be heard by council.

A petition from sundry persons, inhabitants of Cecil county, praying the general assembly to pass an act for an election in said county, to take the sense of the people where the court-house and gaol ought to be; was preferred, read and granted, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Job, Mr. Wright, Mr. Stone, and Mr. Smithson, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

The petition from sundry persons in Harford county, relative to a court-house, referred from the last session, was read, and leave given to bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer thereof. ORDERED, That Mr. Job, Mr. Wright, Mr. Stone, and Mr. Smithson, do prepare and bring in the said bill.

The petition from Thomas Contee, referred from the last session, was read, and referred to Mr. Duckett, Mr. Hall, and Mr. Jenifer, to consider and report thereon.

Charles Carroll, Barrister, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill respecting the sale of the iron-works late belonging to James Russell, and company, endorsed; "By the senate, December 7, 1781: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

"By the senate, December 8, 1781: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

The petition from captain John Read was read, and referred to the committee appointed to enquire into the conduct of the commissioner appointed to adjust the accounts of the troops of this state, &c.

The memorial from Patrick M'Gill was read, and referred to Mr. Chase, Mr. B. T. B. Worthington, Mr. Hall, and Mr. N. Worthington, to consider and report thereon.

The petition from sundry inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county, relative to a road, referred from the last session, was read, and referred to the tenth day of the next session.

The petition from Anthony Addison and Eleanor Callis, was read, and referred to the next session.

The petition from Thomas B. Hodgkin, was read, and referred to the committee of claims.

The petition from Jane and Thomas Roberts, was read, and referred to the committee appointed to report the proceedings of the commissioners appointed to preserve confiscated British property.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be requested to direct the officer or officers who have the superintendance of the public records now at Elk-ridge landing, to cause the same to be removed to the city of Annapolis as soon as the same can conveniently be done, and that proper packages be provided for the removing the same at the public expence; and that the persons employed in removing the records be paid by the public, by orders to be drawn by the governor and council on the treasurer of the western shore.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Brevard and Mr. Miller.

The petition from Rebecca Hanson and Catharine Dulany, was read, and referred, together with the petition from Margaret Button, and the petition from Vernon Hebb, which was referred from the last session, to the committee appointed to report the proceedings of the commissioners appointed to preserve confiscated British property.

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution respecting the public records, endorsed; "By the senate, December 8, 1781: Read and assented to.

"By order, J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

ORDERED, That the petition of sundry inhabitants on George's-creek, in Washington-county, and the petition of John Orr, be referred to the committee appointed to prepare a bill to appropriate certain lands to the use of the officers and soldiers of this state, &c.

The petition of Christopher Birkhead was read the second time and rejected.

The petition of sundry residents in Frederick county, of the German reformed church, was read the second time and granted, and leave given to bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer thereof.

The petition from the vestry and churchwardens of Great Choptank parish, in Dorchester county, was read the second time and referred to the next session.

A petition of Richard H. Courts, praying to be allowed for services performed in the hospital department, was preferred and read, and referred to the committee appointed to enquire into the conduct of the commissioner appointed to settle and adjust the accounts of the troops of this state, &c.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.