

property therein, and the valuation of each persons property respectively, and the assessment thereon, in not fitting agreeable to law to hear appeals, and in sundry other instances, which may occasion grievances and inconveniences both of a public and private nature.

Your committee are of opinion, that this inconvenience hath not arisen from any default of the said commissioners, but hath been occasioned by the resignation of their clerk, and their not being able to procure another clerk in his stead, and by the neglect or inability of the assessors to render their certificates of assessment in due time to them.

Your committee beg leave to report, that it appears from the said abridgment, that the commissioners were of opinion that Mr. William Trippe, appointed by them one of the assessors of the said county, had made default, in not having appeared before them agreeable to their order.

That it appears that Nathan Wright, John Marshall, Standly Byers, Benjamin Woodward, and William Ennalls Hicks, five of the assessors of said county, appeared on the 19th of March, the time appointed for them to return their certificates of assessment, and prayed time till the 4th of April, for them to complete the same, alleging, that the shortness of the time limited for their appearance, the badness of the weather, and other circumstances, had prevented their returning their certificates as directed by the commissioners; and it appears the commissioners granted their request.

Your committee are of opinion a law ought to pass to make valid the proceedings of the said commissioners, and to empower them to appoint certain days to hear and determine appeals.

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

By order,

W. H. M'PHERSON, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, the question was put on the following: **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore furnish Nathan Norton with three hundred pounds of the last emission, to enable him to carry on the pipe and stone ware manufactories he is engaged in, on his giving bond, with good security, to pay the same with interest, in three years. The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Bayly, appeared as follow:

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

Messrs	Plowden,	Stone,	Job,	Seney,	Morris,	M'Bryde,
	Mills,	Hindman,	Brevard,	Courfey,	Norris,	Hopper,
	N. Worthington,	Sherwood,	Rowland,	Chafe,	Smithson,	Burgefs.
	Fitzhugh,	King,	Johnson,	Quynn,	Love,	

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs	Causin,	Josiah Dashiell,	Duckett,	Shriver,	Stull,	Griffith,
	Jenifer,	Miller,	Handy,	Duvall,	Barnes,	Bayly,
	Waggaman,	Hawkins,	Beatty,	Beall,	Chapline,	Oneale.

So it was resolved 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.

On motion, the question was put, That it is the duty of the commissioners for the sale of forfeited and confiscated British property, to furnish and execute proper deeds to the purchaser or purchasers of said property, on their complying with the terms of the sale, without any additional expence to the purchaser? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Jenifer, appeared as follow:

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

Messrs	Causin,	Winder,	Brevard,	Seney,	Norris,	Hopper,
	Jenifer,	Job,	Rowland,	Morris,	Smithson,	Oneale.
	Stone,	Miller,	Duckett,	Handy,	Love,	

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs	Forrest,	Lloyd,	Sherwood,	Kent,	Duvall,	Chapline,
	Thomas,	N. Worthington,	King,	Chafe,	Beall,	Burgefs,
	Plowden,	B. Worthington,	Waggaman,	Quynn,	M'Bryde,	Griffith.
	Mills,	Hindman,	Josiah Dashiell,	Shriver,		

So it was determined in the negative.

The petition of Beatty Handy, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Herbert Blackstone.

The engrossed bill No. 3, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Winder and Mr. Hopper.

The engrossed bill No. 4, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Kent and Mr. Courfey.