

liam and Robert Molleson, collected by him for the payment of any claims he may have against them, in preference to other claimants, which priority they conceive not to be founded in justice, for several reasons set forth in the memorial, and praying relief in the premises, was preferred and read.

ORDERED, That the above memorial be taken into consideration on Friday week next.

ORDERED, That the sergeant at arms give notice in writing to the memorialists, and also to Mr. Thomas Contee, to attend at the bar of this house on that day if they think proper, and that they be heard by counsel if agreeable to them, and that summonies issue at the request of either of the parties, for such witnesses as may be applied for.

The bill to regulate the militia, was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Griffith.

A petition from Samuel Lane, of Anne-Arundel county; and a petition from Thomas Reed Cooksey and John Cooksey; were preferred and read.

A petition from the justices of the peace for Talbot county was preferred and read, and Mr. Stone, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Quynn, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Hall, and Mr. B. Worthington, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to consider and report thereon.

The order of the day respecting Mr. Archibald Job; and the order of the day respecting the intendant of the revenue; are postponed till to-morrow morning.

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

F R I D A Y, December 6, 1782.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. N Worthington. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Hopper appeared in the house.

A petition from Isaac Marshall, of Somerset county, was preferred and read; and Mr. Holland, Mr. Magruder, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Seney, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. M'Mechen, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to consider and report thereon.

A memorial from colonel Francis Johnson, of Philadelphia, on behalf of his two nephews, James and Alexander Edmiston, was preferred and read; and Mr. Forrest, Mr. Key, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Hindman, and Mr. M'Mechen, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to consider and report thereon.

On motion by Mr. Forrest seconded by Mr. Lloyd, Leave given to bring in an additional Supplement to an act to settle and adjust the accounts of the troops of this state in the service of the United States; and Mr. Forrest, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Burgess, Mr. Norris, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Hopper, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to prepare and bring in the said bill.

The report on the petition of Philip Shoals, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

The report on the petition of Levin Gale, Henry Jackson, and John Stewart, was read the second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

On motion by Mr. Forrest seconded by Mr. Rowland, Leave given to bring in a bill to appropriate certain confiscated property for the redemption of officers and soldiers certificates; and Mr. Forrest, Mr. Rowland, Mr. Kent, Mr. Weems, Mr. Stone, Mr. Chew, and Mr. Sewell, were appointed a committee by Mr. Speaker to prepare and bring in the said bill.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill allowing a longer time to compound on old certificates, endorsed; "By the senate, December 4, 1782: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

"By the senate, December 6, 1782: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

Matthew Tilghman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A Supplement to the act to empower Thomas Contee to settle and collect the debts due to William Molleson, and William and Robert Molleson, or either of them, and to apply the same, endorsed; "By the senate, December 4, 1782: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk.

"By the senate, December 6, 1782: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. MACCUBBIN, clk."

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

The petition of Thomas Reed Cooksey and John Cooksey, of Charles county, was read the second time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion by Mr. Forrest seconded by Mr. Stone, ORDERED, That notice be given by the sergeant at arms, to the memorialists against the validity of the election of Archibald Job, Esq; that