

# 60 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS; APRIL, 1783.

“ By the senate, May 10, 1783: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

“ By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.”

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of this state, distinguished by the name of Nicollites, or new Quakers, praying an act may pass, allowing them equal rights, privileges, and immunities, with others—and a petition from William M<sup>c</sup>Creery, praying redress in account against the state—severally endorsed; “ By the senate, May 10, 1783: Read and referred to the consideration

“ of the house of delegates.

“ By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.”

The petition of William M<sup>c</sup>Creery was read.

The petition of the Nicollites was read, and referred to Mr. Chase, Mr. Dashiell, Mr. Hall, Mr. Keene, and Mr. Stone, to consider and report thereon.

Benedict Edward Hall, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from the delegates in congress of the 24<sup>th</sup> of April, with sundry enclosures.

Mr. Ford has leave of absence till Saturday next.

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

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

The house met.

The bill to confirm the last will and testament of Arthur M<sup>c</sup>Allen, late of Worcester county, deceased, was read the second time by especial order and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Dashiell and Mr. Morris.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to naturalise and make provision for Thomas Walley, the son of Zedekiah Walley, who lately fell in the service of this state, and Maria Grafton, daughter of commodore Grafton; and Mr. Chase, Mr. Dashiell, and Mr. Morris, were appointed a committee to prepare and bring in the said bill.

On motion, ORDERED, That the petitions from Harford county, relative to the court-house, be taken into consideration on Thursday the 22<sup>d</sup> instant, and that the clerk issue summonses.

A petition from the elders of the Calvinist church, in Washington county, praying an act may pass, to compel the representatives of Andrew Link to discharge their account, was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Stull, Mr. Ogle, and Mr. Shriver, to consider and report thereon.

ORDERED, That Mr. Kent, Mr. Dashiell, Mr. Keen, Mr. B. Worthington, and Mr. Chase, be a committee to enquire and report what funds this state has unappropriated, and what the funds appropriated to redeem the several emissions of paper currency amount to, over and above what is sufficient to sink the same; and what part of these funds would be sufficient to redeem the certificates for the depreciation of the pay to the officers and soldiers of the Maryland line.

On motion, ORDERED, That the house will take into consideration the subject relating to the reserved lands and manors on Tuesday next.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

## M O N D A Y, May 12, 1783.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. Ford and Mr. Dashiell. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Fitzhugh, Mr. Rowland, Mr. Norris, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Hall, appeared in the house.

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

**T**HE committee, to whom was referred the petition of John Groff, of Frederick county, beg leave to report, That they are of opinion, that the said John Groff ought to have a road to his mill, agreeable in substance to the prayer of his petition; that Messieurs William Winchester, Thomas Durbin, and Michael M<sup>c</sup>Guire, or some other persons, ought to be appointed by act of assembly to lay out said road, and ascertain the damage sustained by individuals. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

The engrossed bill No. 1, was read and assented to, and sent to the senate, with the paper bill thereof, by Mr. Kent and Mr. Jackson.

The report on the petition of Nathaniel Manning, referred from the last session to the present, was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

Mr. Duvall delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to make valid a deed of bargain and sale executed by Abraham Davis and Elizabeth Cromer, late of Frederick county, to Joshua Gift, of said county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Forrest,