

On motion, **RESOLVED**, That commissioners be appointed to view and report their opinion of a common high-way or road, to be opened, cleared, and made, in as strait a line as the country will permit, from Baltimore-town to Elizabeth-town, in Washington county, and from thence to the western boundary of this state, and to employ proper and experienced persons to make an accurate survey thereof.

RESOLVED, That Thomas Beatty, Joseph Sprigg, Andrew Bruce, David Poe, George Keports, and Robert Long, or any three of them, be commissioners for the purpose aforesaid, and that their reasonable expences be defrayed by the public.

RESOLVED, That commissioners be appointed to view and report their opinion of a common high-way or road, to be opened, cleared, and made, in as strait a line as the country will permit, from Baltimore-town to the line of York county, in Pennsylvania, and to employ proper and experienced persons to make an accurate survey thereof.

RESOLVED, That Jesse Hollingsworth, Benjamin Griffith, Richard Lemmon, and William Aisquith, or any two of them, be commissioners for the purpose aforesaid, and that their reasonable expences be defrayed by the public.

RESOLVED, That commissioners be appointed to view and report their opinion, of opening, clearing, and making navigable, the river Susquehanna, as far as the line of this state, and the probable expence thereof, and to employ proper and experienced persons to make an accurate survey thereof.

RESOLVED, That the honourable Samuel Hughes and Benedict Edward Hall, Esquires, be commissioners for the purpose aforesaid, and that their reasonable expences be defrayed by the public.

RESOLVED, That commissioners be appointed to examine the lower road from Baltimore-town to the Susquehanna, for the purpose of straitening and amending the same, and to report thereon.

RESOLVED, That Samuel Griffith and William Smith (Bay-side), be commissioners for the purpose aforesaid, and that their reasonable expences be defrayed by the public.

RESOLVED, That commissioners be appointed to view and report their opinion, of opening, clearing, and making navigable, the river Pocomoke, as far as the line of this state, and the probable expence thereof, and to employ proper and experienced persons to make an accurate survey thereof.

RESOLVED, That Samuel Handy, John Poffly, and Henry Bell, or any two of them, be commissioners for the purpose aforesaid, and that their reasonable expences be defrayed by the public.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council appoint two gentlemen to examine and report their opinion, of opening, clearing, and making navigable, the river Patowmack, from the mouth of the Eastern Branch to the line of this state; the time the work would take, and the expences; and compute the expence of making the said river navigable at each Fall; and that the reasonable expences of the gentlemen appointed be paid.

Mr. Hindman, from the committee of claims, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the journal of accounts; which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the payment of the journal of accounts.

On motion, the question was put on the following:

“Whereas William Read, by his humble petition to this general assembly, has set forth, that by virtue of a special warrant, and also a special order from Robert Eden, Esquire, then governor of Maryland, directed to the surveyor of Queen-Anne's county, he had surveyed four hundred and twenty-nine acres of land, called Wright's Square corrected, lying in the reserve of Queen-Anne's county manor, and had returned a certificate for the same, and had also paid the caution money thereon; which said warrant and order were issued, and the said certificate was returned before the late act of assembly respecting reserved lands; and praying that the register of the land-office might be directed to issue a patent on the said certificate; and the facts set forth in the said petition appearing to this house to be true; therefore **RESOLVED**, That the register of the land-office do, and he is hereby directed to make out a patent to the said William Read, on the certificate aforesaid, agreeable to the prayer of the said petition.” Resolved in the affirmative.

Sent to the senate, with the resolutions respecting roads, &c. and the journal of accounts, by Mr. S. Worthington and Mr. Roberts.

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

THE committee to whom were referred the letter from the Governor, and the memorial of John Dorsey, Luke Wheeler, and company, respecting the conduct of the Chevalier de Quémey, and the loss of the ship Matilda, beg leave to report, That in obedience to the honourable house, they have taken the said papers into consideration and thereupon come to the following resolution: That it is the opinion of the committee, that his excellency the Governor be requested to transmit the said memorial, together with the proofs, to our delegates in congress, and that they be instructed to request the interposition of that honourable body, and to lay the said memorial, with the evidence adduced to support the facts therein stated, before his Most Christian Majesty, and