

Also a memorial from Isabella Alexander, of Cæcil county, in behalf of herself and her children, setting forth, that by an act of assembly, two thirds of the land of Robert Alexander, in Cæcil county, including one hundred acres next adjoining the town at the Head of Elk, and one half of his negroes, be sold, the residue of his land (including his late dwelling plantation) and the other half of his negroes, and other property, to be reserved, subject to the direction of the general assembly, and praying a law may pass, to confirm the said lands, negroes and property, so reserved, to her, for the use of her children; a memorial from Mark Pringle, of Baltimore county, agent for Messieurs Nicholas and Jacob Van Staphorst, respecting the delivery of one thousand hogheads of tobacco due to the said Nicholas and Jacob Van Staphorst, on the loan negotiated by Matthew Ridley, Esq; agent for this state; and a petition from Sarah Muir, of Saint Mary's county, praying that a negro and her increase, devised to her use, and left in the possession of James Jordan, may be sold, and the money or tobacco arising from the sale delivered to her; severally endorsed; "By the senate, November 28, 1783: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which were read, and the petition of Isabella Alexander referred to Mr. M^cMechen, Mr. Job, Mr. Bravard, Mr. W. Stevenson, and Mr. Coursey, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. William Rowland, a delegate returned for Cæcil county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

Mr. Dent, from the committee, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to empower Eleanor Lyon, Henry Lyon, and William Canter, junior, to sell the real estate therein mentioned of Joseph Lyon, deceased; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

An address on behalf of sundry officers and soldiers of the Maryland line, from major-general William Smallwood, was read, and referred to Mr. Carroll, Mr. Hindman, Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. Lethbrury, and Mr. M^cMechen, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Hanson appeared in the house.

Mr. N. Worthington delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower Elizabeth Vallette, Thomas Harwood, and William Brogden, executors of the last will and testament of Elie Vallette, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, to sell and dispose of the real estate of the said Elie Vallette, for the purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The petition of Sarah Muir was read the second time and rejected.

James M^cHenry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the relief of Francis Rochester, junior, of Queen-Anne's county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 22, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, November 28, 1783: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill for recording and making valid a deed of bargain and sale, executed by James Raley, and Benjamin Newnham and Mary his wife, to John Moore, of Queen-Anne's county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 22, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, November 28, 1783: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And the bill to authorise and empower David Brown and Henry Wilson, of Baltimore county, executors of the last will and testament of John Cornthwaite, to sell and dispose of the real estate therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, November 25, 1783: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, November 28, 1783: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which were ordered to be engrossed.

Richard Barnes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from George Shipley, junior, praying an act may pass, empowering him to take into his possession and custody, as trustee, the estate real and personal of George Shipley, senior, of Anne-Arundel county, who hath been in a state of lunacy for nine years past, and incapable of taking care of and managing his affairs, and to dispose of such part thereof as will be sufficient to discharge the debts due and owing by the said George Shipley, senior; and a petition from William Baker, of Prince-George's county, praying that certificates for money lent the state, may be taken in discharge of bonds given for confiscated British property; severally endorsed; "By the senate, November 28, 1783: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."