

The opinion of the committee with respect to the application of the foregoing surpluses is, that so much of them as may be necessary to discharge the certificates in the hands of the officers and soldiers, issued to them respectively, be applied to that purpose, and that the officers and soldiers who were purchasers of the property sold to constitute the above funds, may be entitled to offer their certificates, issued in their own names, in payment for said property purchased by them.

The committee begs leave further to suggest, that that part of My Lady's manor which remains un sold, and property not particularly appropriated, should be disposed of to discharge those certificates of the officers and soldiers that have been transferred; and that ample provision ought to be made for disabled and invalid soldiers.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

W. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from James Clerk, on behalf of James Russell, of London, praying an act may pass, to restore the value of the property of the said James Russell, that has been seized and taken from him on account of his being one of the trustees of the bank stock of England, was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Carroll, Mr. Scott, Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. Digges, and Mr. W. Stevenson, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill relating to interest in certain cases, and other purposes; and Mr. Wootton, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. De Butts, and Mr. Oneale, were appointed a committee for that purpose.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a Supplement to an act for the advancement of justice; and Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Scott, and Mr. B. Worthington, were appointed a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

ORDERED, That Mr. Kent be added to the committee to bring in a bill for the relief of public creditors.

The bill for the relief of the christian society of people, called Nicolites, or New Quakers, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale appeared as follow:

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

Messieurs	Somerville,	Dent,	Scott,	Magruder,	Morris,	Keene,
	De Butts,	Ridgely of Wm.	Job,	Seney,	Shriver,	Hughlett,
	Plowden,	Harris,	Miller,	Kent,	Ogle,	M'Mechen,
	Harwood,	Jackson,	Rowland,	Courfey,	Norris,	Edwards,
	Ware,	Polk,	Bravard,	Quynn,	Love,	Wootton.
	Hawkins,	Shaw,				

N E G A T I V E.

Mc.	Key,	B. Worthington,	Grahame,	Beatty,	Wheeler,	Oneale.
	W. Stevenson,	N. Worthington,	Mackall,	Hammond,		

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Keene and Mr. Miller.

The report on the petition of Isaac Marshal was read the second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 17, 1783.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate propose adjourning on Wednesday next, and are anxious that the civil list bill, and all bills which may be considered of importance, be sent up early enough to afford time for their due and proper deliberations.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

A bill, entitled, An act for straitening and repairing the road from Baltimore-town to the lower ferry on the river Susquehanna, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1783: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

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

A bill, entitled, An act to enable Sarah Stokes, wife of Robert Young Stokes, to release her right of dower to certain lots of ground lying in Harford county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 17, 1783: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

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