

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James Rumfey, beg leave to report, that they have examined the allegations therein contained, and find them true, and are of opinion that the said invention will be of great utility to facilitate the inland navigation of this state, and that a law pass agreeable to the prayer of said petition. All which is submitted to the consideration of the house of delegates.

By order,

A. GOLDR, clk.

Which was read.

The petition of John Gaver, of Frederick county, referred from the last to the present session, was read and rejected.

Edward Lloyd, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from Benjamin Benny, and others, praying an act may pass, to vest a legal estate of a tract of land called Old Fields Enclosure, heretofore purchased of Joseph Gill by John Price of Caroline county, to the aforesaid Benjamin Benny, and others; a memorial from Richard Spencer, praying an act may pass, to establish a public road agreeable to the plot returned; a petition from Henry Dickinson and Anne his wife, praying an act may pass, to relieve them from the pains and penalties inflicted by an act passed in 1777, for marrying within the degrees therein mentioned; a petition from several inhabitants of Maryland and Virginia, praying an act may pass for opening and improving the navigation of Patowmack river; a petition from Amos Garrett, of Harford county, praying an act may pass, to confirm his title to a tract of land called Hazard Enlarged, which he purchased of colonel Thomas Colvill and Peter Bayard, attorneys in fact for Jacob and Mary Rogers; a petition from Robert Peter, William Deakins, junior, Charles Beatty, and John Threlkeld, of Montgomery county, praying an act to confirm an addition to George-town made by them the first of September 1784, to establish the boundaries thereof, and to give to the proprietors of the lots on the north side of Water-street in said addition, an exclusive right to the ground and water on the south side of same, for the sole purpose of building wharfs, and also to vest a power in the commissioners of George-town to erect wharfs on the water fronting Frederick, Fayette, and Gay streets, for the public benefit; a petition from sundry members of the presbyterian church, and other inhabitants of George-town, praying an act empowering James Hunt, as trustee of said church, to make and execute a sufficient conveyance of a lot called Church of Scotland Lot, to William Deakins, junior, and also to receive a sufficient conveyance of certain other lots in lieu thereof, for the benefit of said church; severally endorsed; "By the senate, November 26, 1784: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And a memorial from the visitors and governors of Washington college, respecting a permanent revenue for the salaries of a principal and tutors, endorsed; "By the senate, November 26, 1784: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read, and referred to Mr. Chase, Mr. Lethrbury, Mr. Wright, Mr. Key and Mr. G. Scott, to consider and report thereon.

The petition of Benjamin Benny, and others, Amos Garrett, and several inhabitants of Maryland and Virginia, were read.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Chase, Mr. G. Scott, Mr. Key, Mr. Joseph Dashiell, Mr. Townshend, Mr. De Butts, and Mr. Lethrbury, be a committee to consider the propriety of making an emission of bills of credit on loan, and report their opinion to the house.

William Perry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from his excellency the Governor of the 25th of November, with sundry enclosures, respecting captain Carberry, endorsed; "By the senate, November 26, 1784: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates."

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read.

WHEREAS this house, on the twenty-third day of November, in the year 1781, resolved unanimously, that the governor be requested to write to Mr. Peale, of Philadelphia, to procure, as soon as might be, the portrait of his excellency general Washington, at full length, to be placed in the house of delegates, in grateful remembrance of that most illustrious character: And whereas this house are informed, that the said portrait is finished and ready to be delivered: Therefore, RESOLVED, That the governor be empowered to draw on the intendant of the revenue, for such sum of money as may be necessary to pay for the said portrait and frame, and for conveying the same from Philadelphia, and setting it up.

The following message was prepared, read, and agreed to.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 26, 1784.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THE house of delegates, deeply impressed with a grateful sense of the patriotism, virtue, and military ability, displayed, and so happily exerted, by our late illustrious general, through a painful and precarious war, cannot contemplate the establishment of the liberty and independence of the United States, without manifesting their gratitude to that great character, whose virtues and abilities have contributed in so eminent a degree to the completion of that glorious and happy event. This house have therefore sent your honours their resolution for procuring the portrait