

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the justices and sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, beg leave to report, that upon inquiring into the facts therein set forth they found them true, and are of opinion, that an act ought to pass according to the prayer of the petitioners. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

W. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of sundry purchasers of Nanticoke manor, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. G. Scott, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Steel, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hindman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to provide a fund for the relief of the widows and children of the clergy of the protestant episcopal church in this state, and for other pious and charitable purposes respecting the said church; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report respecting the state bank, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill to establish a state bank in Baltimore town. ORDERED, That Mr. Chase, Mr. G. Scott, Mr. McMehean, Mr. Key, and Mr. Hindman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Chase brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to declare Joshua Johnson, merchant, his wife and children, citizens of this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Chase, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to establish a plan to secure the payment of the flat debt within six years, and for the punctual payment of the annual interest thereon; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

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

The bill to empower the commissioners of Baltimore-town to make a correct survey of said town, and the bill concerning fugitive criminals, were read the second time and passed. Sent to the assembly with amendments.

The report on the memorial of Mary Wailey, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Peter, William Deakins, jun. Charles Beatty and John Threkekill, beg leave to report, that they have taken under their consideration the petition and papers, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof should be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

R. B. LATIMER, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee, to whom was referred the petition of sundry members of the presbyterian church, and other inhabitants of George-town, beg leave to report, that they have taken under their consideration the petition, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof should be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

R. B. LATIMER, clk.

Which was read.

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

By the COMMITTEE, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Guibert, of Saint Mary's county, late a soldier in the Maryland line.

YOUR committee report, that they have examined major Davidson respecting his knowledge of the petitioner, and the subject of the petition, and find that the petitioner departed himself, during a long service in the Maryland line, as a brave, faithful, and active soldier. That in process of time he procured a substitute, and though he remained in the army until his substitute was disciplined and properly initiated in the line of his duty, yet it appearing that an engagement must soon take place, he, full of that noble ardor which possessed the advocates of liberty, would not avail himself of his discharge, but bravely stayed and supported the cause of his country at the battle of Camden. That some time after his return to Saint Mary's county, a fellow-soldier called John Blair, under pretence of a journey by land to Alexandria, borrowed the petitioner's discharge, which in those days operated as a pass, promising to deliver it to him on his return. That it further appears, said discharge has not been restored, but from every circumstance, that said Blair, under colour of said discharge, obtained from the then auditor-general certificates to the amount of Guibert's pay, and converted the same to his own use. That it appears Guibert never authorized said Blair to receive his certificates. That the only mode of relief, in the opinion of your committee, would be to order the present auditor-general to issue certificates to Guibert to the amount of his pay due him, and at the same time to advertise those surreptitiously obtained, which in all probability would bring them back to the origi-