

nal vendor, and expose the villain to public view. This step, however, is only recommended in cases similar to the present, where the soldier's reputation stands so exceedingly fair, and not intended as a general precedent. All which is submitted.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. M^cMechen brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to authorise and empower Robert Ballard, administrator de bonis non of the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of Jonathan Plowman, late of Baltimore county, deceased, unadministered by Rebecca Plowman and David Arnold, his executors at the time of his decease, with the will of the said Jonathan Plowman annexed; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

Mr. Key, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to obtain an equal valuation of the land in this state, according to its actual worth; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. G. Scott brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to empower Thomas Langton to sell the real estate of John Ashburner, deceased, for the payment of his debts; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Harris brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Benjamin Garnett; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general liquidate and adjust the account of lieutenant Lawrence Myers with this state, and give him a certificate for the depreciation of his pay, and charge the same to the United States; and that the intendant of the revenue discharge the five months pay due to the said Lawrence Myers, from the first of August seventeen hundred and eighty to the first of January seventeen hundred and eighty-one, deducting eighty-six dollars new emission, equal to $45\frac{3}{8}$ dollars specie, paid him by congress.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Beatty.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the establishment and regulation of a night watch, and the erection of lamps, in Baltimore-town in Baltimore county. **ORDERED**, That Mr. M^cMechen, Mr. G. Scott, and Mr. Ridgely, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

William Hindman, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the relief of Duncan Campbell and James Burney; and the bill to authorise the delegates of this state in congress to consent to an alteration in the eighth of the articles of the confederation; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 22, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 24, 1784: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for recording a deed from James Rumsey to John Carnan of Cæcil county, endorsed;

"By the senate, December 22, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 24, 1784: Read the second time with the proposed amendment and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendment proposed. At the end of the bill insert, "Saving to every person or persons their several and respective rights, who may have fairly and honestly, without any notice or knowledge of the said deed, purchased the land therein mentioned, or before the said deed is recorded, may fairly and honestly purchase the same."

Which was read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill for making valid a deed from George Lux, William Lyon, and James Dick, to Thomas J. Burling and James Shaw, endorsed; "By the senate, December 22, 1784: Read

"the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 24, 1784: Read the second time with the proposed amendment and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendment proposed. At the end of the bill insert, "Saving to every person or persons their several and respective rights, who may have fairly and honestly, without any notice or knowledge of the said deed, purchased the land therein mentioned, or before the said deed is recorded, may fairly and honestly purchase the same."

Which was read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Benedict E. Hall, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution relative to Jacques Bagues and Jean Chever, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1784: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And the bill directing and empowering the administrators of Frederick Foreman to sell and dispose of part of a tract of land therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, December 22,

"1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

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