

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER 1784. 75

The following question being moved, That the said bill be referred to the next session of assembly, and printed for the consideration of the people? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Ridgely appeared as follow:

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

Messieurs	Plowden,	Miller,	Digges,	Norris,	Wheeler,	Cellars,
	Faney,	Bravard,	Seney,	Love,	M'Mechen,	Swingle,
	Ridgely,	Job,	Beatty,	Bond,	Stuil,	Edwards.
	Stevenfon,	Oglevee,				

## N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Key,	Fraizer,	Hindman,	Elzey,	Chafe,	Joseph Dashiell,
	De Butts,	Ware,	Gibson,	Scott,	Quynn,	Hardcastle,
	Graves,	Dent,	John Dashiell,	Steel,	Townshend,	Cramphin,
	N. Worthington,	Harris,	Waters,	Sewell,	Cnaille,	Wootton.
	Grahame,					

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion, ORDERED, That five hundred copies of the bill to lay a general tax for the support of the ministers of the gospel of all societies of christians in this state, (with the blanks filled up as proposed by the committee) be immediately published, with the thirteenth article, and such parts of the thirty-third article of the bill of rights, as relate to the subject matter of the said bill, for the use of the members of the general assembly; and that the said bill be read a second time on to-morrow week, the eighth of January next.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

S A T U R D A Y, January 1, 1785.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Cadwalader. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Ridgely of William appeared in the house.

WHEREAS Thomas Hyde, of the city of Annapolis, hath set forth, by his petition to this general assembly, that he obtained out of the land-office a warrant of resurvey on a lot of land in the city of Annapolis, situated on one of the branches of a creek running into the said city, with a view to secure a small quantity of ground made by him, by filling in the marshy part of the head of the said branch, on which he had erected a small building for the use of a mill-house to a tan-yard, which was contiguous to the said ground; that he had a resurvey made in virtue of the said warrant, and a certificate thereof returned to the land-office, on which he paid the composition money and the value of the house above mentioned, as ascertained by the surveyor; that upon application for patent he was informed, that by an act passed in April session, subsequent to the date of his warrant aforesaid, all lands heretofore resurveyed for the use of the proprietor were reserved to such uses and purposes as the general assembly should hereafter direct, in which it is conceived a former resurvey on the city of Annapolis is included, though he apprehends not within the intention of the legislature; and praying that a resolution might pass, directing the register of the land-office to issue patent on his certificate of resurvey; and it appearing to this general assembly, that the facts therein stated are true: Therefore, RESOLVED, That the register of the land-office be, and he is hereby directed to make out a patent on the resurvey aforesaid in the usual manner, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

The bill to empower Charles Steuart, administrator of John Bennett, to dispose of the real estate of said John Bennett, for the payment of his debts, was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. Quynn.

ORDERED, That Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Carroll be added to the committee on the petition of John Johnson.

The bill for altering the time of holding the courts in the counties therein mentioned, was read the second time and passed.

RESOLVED, That the resolution of the 20th of December 1783, directing the auditor-general or his deputy not to adjust or liquidate any certificate in virtue of the act of November session seventeen hundred and eighty-two, until the further order of the general assembly, be repealed, and that any such certificate may be received and liquidated agreeably to the said act, to the amount of not exceeding in the whole the sum of two hundred thousand pounds current money.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Quynn.

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

THE committee, to whom was referred the petition of Alexander Catlett, of Montgomery county, beg leave to report, that they have taken into their consideration the said petition, and find that Simon Nicholls, collector of the tax for Montgomery county for the year 1782, is deficient in said collection to the amount of 7337 1 6; that the estates of the said Simon Nicholls, and his two securities, Alexander Catlett and Thomas Nicholls, are under execution for the said deficiency. Your committee are of opinion that a law ought to pass, obliging the said Simon Nicholls in a limited time to give the said Alexander Catlett counter security, or that the collection be taken out of the said Simon Nicholls's hands, and vested in the said Alexander

Catlett