

On progression in reading the said bill, the question was put, That the printer to the state be allowed £. 500? Resolved in the affirmative.

The bill to settle and pay the civil list, and other expences of civil government, was postponed for further consideration until Thursday morning.

On motion, ORDERED, That the committee of claims inspect into and report on the proceedings, books, and papers of the intendant of the revenue, by Thursday next.

ORDERED, That Mr. Ridgely of William and Mr. Grahame be added to the committee of claims.

William Perry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a counter memorial from Daniel Heetter, junior, to the petition of Jonathan Hagar, of Washington county; a petition from Charles Frederick Wieselthal, setting forth, that he was appointed surgeon-general to the state troops, and praying compensation for his services; a petition from Jesse Suit, setting forth, that he apprehended several deserters belonging to the army of the state, and that he had never received any reward for the same, and praying relief in the premises; a petition from Benjamin Roberts, of Queen Anne's county, and Hannah Spencer, of Kent county, widow of Isaac Spencer, late of the said county, deceased, on behalf of her infant son Isaac, the heir at law of the said deceased, to which infant she the said Hannah hath been appointed the guardian by the orphans court of Kent county; and petitions from Queen Anne's, Kent, Caroline, Dorchester, Worcester, Talbot, and several other counties within this state, praying a gradual abolition of slavery; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 5, 1785: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

James Lloyd, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a letter from the governor of the 5th inst. with letters from the governor of Delaware and vice-president of Pennsylvania, acknowledging the receipt of sundry resolutions respecting the compact of Virginia and Maryland; a letter from Walter Stewart, Esq; on the subject of the contract made by Mr. Ridley, with Messrs. Van Stephons, merchants at Amsterdam; and a petition from sundry citizens of this state, praying commissioners may be appointed to lay out a road, which may be of use to the public, leading from Ches's warehouse to Port-Tobacco; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 5, 1785: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

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

## T U E S D A Y, December 6, 1785.

**T**HE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. James Bond has leave of absence until Friday the 16th day of December.

A petition from Elizabeth Wilson, praying a restitution of her property, was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. De Butts, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Somerville, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to make value two deeds of conveyance from William Hicks to Vernon Hebb and James Adderton, be taken into consideration on Wednesday the 21st instant, and that they be heard by counsel at the bar of this house if they choose, and that the parties have notice thereof.

Mr. Joshua Serrey and Mr. Edmondson have leave of absence.

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

On motion, ORDERED, That the committee of claims burn all specie certificates, after examining them, that have been received by the treasurers of each shore in discount of taxes, and ascertain the amount of said certificates, with interest thereon, in their general report.

The petition of Jonathan Hagar, and the counter memorial of Daniel Heetter, junior, were referred to Mr. Bracco, Mr. Ridgely of William, Mr. Goldsborough, Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. John Dashiell, and M. Miller, to consider and report thereon.

The letter from the governor, with sundry enclosures; the petition of sundry citizens of this state; the petition of several inhabitants of this state, relative to an abolition of slavery; the petition of Charles Frederick Wieselthal; the petition of Jesse Suit; and the petition of Benjamin Roberts and Hannah Spencer; were severally read.

George Gale, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to confirm the title of Charles Beatty in and to a lot of ground in George-town, on Patowmack, endorsed; "By the senate, December 5, 1785: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 6, 1785: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill to make valid the election of the trustees of the poor of Anne-Arundel county; and the bill for altering the time of holding the courts in Queen-Anne's county; severally endorsed;

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Which were ordered to be engrossed.