

12 VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1786.

Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Paca, Mr. Norris and Mr. M^cMechen, to consider and report thereon.

A return of election from the mayor and aldermen of the city of Annapolis, was laid before the house and read. ORDERED, That the same be referred to the committee of elections and privileges to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to vest certain powers in the governor and council. ORDERED, That Mr. Paca, Mr. T. Johnson and Mr. Chase, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to limit the jurisdiction of the general court in certain cases, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Wright, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Paca, Mr. De Butts, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Chase, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act for the relief of John Briscoe, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Dent, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to empower the justices of Charles county to levy on the inhabitants of said county a sum of money for the relief of Francis Speake; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, November 29, 1786.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Abell. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Thomas Hardcastle, a delegate returned for Caroline county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house. Mr. Hollingsworth appeared in the house.

The report on the petition of Train Ackworth, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Shaw, Mr. Purnell and Mr. Stewart, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report on the petition of John Carmichael, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Shaw, Mr. Purnell and Mr. Stewart, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The second supplement to the act for establishing a company for opening and extending the navigation of the river Patowmack, was read the second time and passed.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the inspection of all kinds of lumber and salt provisions in the city of Annapolis, Baltimore, Chester, George, Nottingham, Charles, (at the Head of Elk,) and Frederick Towns. ORDERED, That Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. B. Worthington, Mr. Mantz, Mr. De Butts, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Chase, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Wright and Mr. Oneale, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. De Butts, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Elizabeth Wilson, of Saint Mary's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of George Ireland, of Calvert county, having taken into consideration the same, beg leave to report, that the time of service stated by the memorialist appears to be strictly true; that they can discover no resolution of congress authorising the state to admit such claims, nor any act of the legislature under which the memorialist is entitled to the depreciation he prays for. The committee are of opinion, notwithstanding, from the peculiar circumstances of the case, that the memorialist's claim is founded on principles of equity and justice, and submit the same to the honourable house.

By order,

J. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Bravard be added to the committee appointed on the petition of the commissioners and other inhabitants of Charles-town, in Cæcil county.

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

By the COMMITTEE of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that by the certificate of the mayor and aldermen of the city of Annapolis it appears, that Thomas Jenings, Esquire, was duly elected and returned a delegate for said city. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDBER, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from John O'Donnell, of Baltimore-town, setting forth, that in the year 1785 he imported a considerable cargo of Asiatic produce, at which time by law he could export the same and draw back any duties on said produce; that under the faith and sanction of which he stored the same in Baltimore-town; that he went to Charleston in pursuit of his business, and in his absence a law passed which deprived him of the benefit of the drawback, in consequence whereof he was obliged to pay the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds; and praying the same may be repaid to him; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Forrest, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Wright, Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Grahame, Mr. M^cMechen and Mr. Stewart, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Washington counties, praying the road which has been opened and cleared from Elizabeth-town in Washington county through Charlton's Gap, may