

A petition from Thomas Morton, of Montgomery county, praying an act to pass to confirm his title to a tract of land which he purchased of a certain Paul Dorset, who purchased of Daniel Hunter, who purchased of Susanna Hunter, relict and administratrix with the will annexed, of Henry Hunter, deceased; was preferred, read, and referred to the next session of assembly.

The report on the petition of Edward Downes, was read the second time and concurred with.

Mr. McMechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the settlement of public accounts, and to appoint persons to collect the debts due to persons convicted of treason, and for a specific performance of certain contracts made by British subjects previous to the revolution; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Quynn brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to enable the vestry of Saint Margaret's Westminster parish, in Anne-Arundel county, to appropriate the rents arising from the glebe-lands in said parish, for the purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The message from the senate of the fifth instant, assigning their reasons for rejecting the bill for an emission of bills of credit, was read the second time, and thereupon the following question was propounded to the house: That a committee be appointed to prepare a message to the senate, desiring a conference to promote a plan for procuring the proportion of this state of the liquidated continental paper securities, and for the beneficial administration of the revenue of the state?

ORDERED, That the said question be taken into consideration to-morrow morning.

The order of the day, in consequence of a remonstrance of sundry inhabitants of Saint-Mary's county, respecting the ineligibility of Uriah Forrest, Esquire, for the want of residence, was read, and the further consideration thereof postponed till Monday the 15th instant.

Thomas Stone, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a memorial of William Fitzhugh, of Calvert county, praying a compensation for certain property destroyed by the British during the late war; endorsed; "By the senate, January 12, 1787: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

On motion, the question was put, That each member of the general assembly be allowed for his attendance this session, the sum of seventeen shillings and six-pence half-penny current money per day, and the like sum per day for itinerant charges? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Perkins, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Wright,	Shaw,	Jenings,	Faw,	Wheeler,	Cellars,
	Dent,	R. Bond,	Paca,	Mantz,	Loeckerman,	Funk,
	Turner,	Matthews,	Joan Seney,	Norris,	Walker,	Burgess,
	Stevens,	Bravard,	P. Mitchell,	J. Bond,	Hardcastle,	Holmes,
	Gale,	R. Bowie,	Henry,	Love,	McMechen,	Nicholls.
	Folk,	Quynn,				32.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	De Butts,	Harwood,	Grahame,	Cockey,	Steele,	T. Johnson,
	Hopewell,	N. Worthington,	Gantt,	Ridgely,	Wallace,	Hollingsworth,
	Perkins,	Chase,	Stone,	Stewart,	F. Bowie,	Cromwell,
	Miller,	B. Worthington,	Owings,	Pattison,	Diggs,	Oneale.
	J. Johnson,	Taney,				26.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

John Henry, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the supplement to the act for the further relief of the securities of Thomas Williams, deceased, late collector of the tax and public dues in Prince-George's county, and for other purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, January 12, 1787: Upon reconsideration of this bill the same was read and will pass with the amendments proposed.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. Strike out from the word "whereas," the beginning of the preamble, to the end of the bill inclusive, and insert the following: "Whereas by the act for the further relief of the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the tax for Prince-George's county, the said securities, or either of them, are vested with full power and authority to sell and dispose of such part or parts of their property, or the property of the late Thomas Williams, as they might think proper, and to take bonds to the state from the purchasers, payable in the year seventeen hundred and ninety, in specie or certificates, and in such case, upon the bonds being lodged with the treasurer of the western shore, the said securities, or either of them, should have a receipt and credit on the treasurer's books for so much money as was expressed in the condition of the said bonds; and it being the intention of this legislature, that no receipt or credit as aforesaid should be allowed the said securities, or either of them, on any bond given for property sold, which at the time of passing the said act did not belong to the said securities, or some one of them, or to the estate of the said Thomas Williams; and under colour of the said act, the said securities may tender to the treasurer bonds taken for property acquired in the course of collecting the taxes or otherwise, contrary to the true intent and meaning of the said act: Therefore, be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, that no bond hereafter to be offered, shall be received by the treasurer from the said securities, or either of them, and placed to their credit, unless the said securities, or some one of them, make oath, (to be administered by the treasurer of the western shore) at the time of offering such bond, that the same was bona fide taken for the purchase of property which belonged to the estate of the said Thomas Williams, or

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