

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs. Hopewell,	Taney,	Sherwood,	Polk,	Bravard,	Funk,
Forrest,	Gantt,	Gale,	R. Bond,	John Seney,	Oneale.
Wright,	Roberts,	Stewart,			15.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

And leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

Mr. Pattison brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Richard Martin, of Dorchester county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the bill respecting insolvent debtors, have a second reading on to-morrow morning.

ORDERED, That the supplement to the act for the speedy recovery of small debts out of court, have a second reading on Tuesday next.

A petition from Catharine Harrison, relict of John Harrison, late of Frederick county, deceased, praying that a purchase made by her late husband, of certain confiscated property, may be declared void, the bonds given, and the money paid in consequence thereof, returned, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Benjamin Nicholson, to consider and report thereon.

ORDERED, That Mr. Wright be added to the committee appointed to prepare a bill to determine by election where the court-house and prison of Caroline county shall be built.

A petition from Jane Roberts, widow, and Thomas Roberts, the eldest son of John Roberts, late of Philadelphia county, miller, in behalf of themselves, and of John, Hannah, Sarah, Mary, Jane, Thomasin, Elizabeth, and Anne Roberts, praying that the share of Elk forge, belonging to the said John Roberts, and taken by the commissioners of confiscated property as forfeited by his attainder in Pennsylvania, may be restored to him; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Wright and Mr. Chase, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of sundry merchants, relative to particular duties therein mentioned, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same under their consideration, and find the facts therein stated to be strictly true, and are of opinion that the duties claimed, and for which the said bond was given, were not due by the law under which they were claimed, and that the said law related to goods imported by water only; your committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that all the duties claimed under said law shall be disclaimed by the state on goods brought into the state by land. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

The petition of George Mason, and others, was read the second time, and referred to Mr. Dent, Mr. Gale, Mr. Fitzhugh and Mr. Gantt, to consider and report thereon.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

S A T U R D A Y, April 28, 1787.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Owings, Mr. Forrest, Mr. Adams, Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. Miller. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Fielder Bowie appeared in the house. Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Adams are excused for absenting themselves without leave.

The amendments to the bill for the more effectual remedy to extinguish fire in Baltimore-town, were read the second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Hollingsworth has leave of absence till Thursday next. Mr. Nicholls has leave of absence.

ORDERED, That Mr. Turner be added to the committee appointed to consider and report on the petition of George Mason, and others.

The petition of Thomas Morton, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and referred to Mr. Oneale, Mr. Paca and Mr. F. Bowie, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from William Berry Warman, administrator and residuary legatee of William Berry, deceased, praying an act may pass, empowering him to sell sundry tracts of land, late the property of William Berry, of Prince-George's county, deceased, to enable him to pay the debts and legacies due from said estate, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Digges, Mr. F. Bowie and Mr. Joshua Seney, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Downes and William Whitely, beg leave to report, that they have considered said petition, and are of opinion that a law should pass to revive the proceedings of Caroline county court, and that the courts and public business of said county hereafter be held and transacted at _____, until the public buildings of said county be erected. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

W. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read.

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