

A petition from Henry Brooke, of Montgomery county, one of the securities of John Haymart Nicholls, late collector of Montgomery county, praying an indulgence until the year 1790, upon giving bond with approved security, for the payment of the balance due from the said collector, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Lecompte, Mr. Brown, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Dent, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for altering the time of laying the levy for Prince-George's county. ORDERED, That Mr. Duvall, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Craufurd and Mr. Digges, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Charles Stanbury and Benjamin R. Talbotts, of Baltimore county, praying the benefit of a resolve for receiving final settlement certificates in payment of confiscated property, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Stewart, Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. T. Johnson and Mr. Tilghman, to consider and report thereon.

The petition of Henry Addison, clerk, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and the question put, That the said petition be referred to a committee? Determined in the negative.

On motion, the question was put, That the said petition be rejected? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. M'Pheron, appeared as follow :

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Abell,	Dent,	Sherwood,	W. Bowie,	Purnell,	Cellars,	
	R. Miller,	Parnham,	Pattison,	Digges,	T. Johnson,	Taylor,	
	Nicholls,	M'Pheron,	Lecompte,	John Seney,	Faw,	Burgeis,	
	Harwood,	Gough,	Bond,	Joshua Seney,	Scott,	Oneale,	
	N. Worthington,	Cockey,	S. Miller,	Jackson,	Norris,	Holmes,	
	Taney,	Ridgely,	Craufurd,	Brown,	Funk,	Griffith.	36.
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Thomas,	Carroll,	Hayward,	Shaw,	Mitchell,	Walker,	
	Key,	Fitzhugh,	Gale,	Bravard,	Henry,	Chafe,	
	Read,	Chapman,	Stewart,	Matthews,	Loockerman,	M'Meehen.	22.
	B. Worthington,	Tilghman,	Adams,	Quynn,			

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Peregrine Tilghman, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorizing the appointment of trustees to sell and convey a tract of land called Hall's Lot, lying and being in Charles county, for the purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, December 6, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
 "By the senate, December 7, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.
 "By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.
 The resolution in favour of John Harford Montgomery, endorsed; "By the senate, December 7, 1787: Read and assented to.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
 The supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the inspection of salted provisions exported and imported from and to the town of Baltimore, endorsed; "By the senate, December 6, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
 "By the senate, December 6, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.
 "By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.
 And a petition from Brice Howard, of Anne-Arundel county, setting forth, that he has an account against the state, and that the time limited for bringing in the same is expired, and praying the auditor may be directed to pass the same; endorsed; "By the senate, December 7, 1787: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.
 Which was read.

The report on the petition of Margaret Fisher, and others, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Chafe, Mr. Faw, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Parnham, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The petition of Brice Howard, was referred to Mr. Carroll, Mr. B. Worthington and Mr. Harwood, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. M'Meehen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Churchman, beg leave to report, that the object of his proposed voyage is worthy the countenance and encouragement of the public, and therefore recommend an advance of a sum of money, not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds, to enable him to provide necessary instruments to make the proper observations and magnetical experiments, and to defray his expences in the voyage proposed, on a bond with good security being given that the money advanced shall be so applied. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order, W. PINKNEY, clk.
 Which was read.