

		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Thomas,	Parnham,	Adams,	Steele,	Quynn,	Chafe,	
	Read,	M'Pherson,	Shaw,	Bravard,	Henry,	M'Mechen,	
	Harwood,	Chapman,	Pattison,	Bond,	Scott,	Funk,	
	B. Worthington,	Stewart,	Lecompte,	S. Miller,	Norris,	Taylor,	25.
	Fitzhugh,						

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to empower the justices of Dorchester county court to lease the prison land in said county. ORDERED, That Mr. Shaw, Mr. Pattison and Mr. Lecompte, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Thomas has leave of absence.

A petition from William Hopper; a languishing prisoner in Queen-Anne's county gaol, and praying to be liberated, was preferred and read.

Mr. Dent, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act vesting certain powers in the commissioners of the tax of Anne-Arundel county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report from the committee on expiring laws, 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. N. Worthington and Mr. Quynn, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

William Hemfley, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 12, 1787.

GENTLEMEN,

ON reconsidering the bill giving relief to George Jacob Schly, and your message of the eleventh instant, relative to that subject, we have agreed to pass the same, and directed it to be so endorsed, departing herein from the principle we wish to establish, not to give such indulgences where the general act for giving relief to securities hath not been complied with in time: But it appears that the said George Jacob Schly hath paid a considerable part of the purchase money for his lands, and may be benefited by having a complete title to one of the tracts, we have relaxed in this particular instance; by no means, however, intending, that this bill should encourage future applications where the act hath not been complied with.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

The bill for the relief of George Jacob Schly, endorsed; "By the senate, December 12, 1787: "On reconsideration will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill for the relief of William Stewart, of Somerset county; the bill to direct the recording of a deed from John Slater, of Washington county, to Martin Stack, of the same county; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 11, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on "the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 12, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order.

J. DORSEY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill for the relief of the securities of John Hayman Nicholls, collector of the tax for Montgomery county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 11, 1787: Read the first time and ordered "to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 12, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with "the proposed amendments.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the 9th page, and interlineation of the 8th line, strike out "some of them." In the 10th page, and 7th line, same amendment. In the same page, and interlineation of the 12th line, strike out "or any of them." At the end of the bill insert "And be it enacted, that in case of failure of payment at the days herein before limited respectively, the bonds so given by the said Robert Peter, John Murdock, William Deakins, junior, Bernard Oneale, Edward Burgess, Walter Smith and Richard Thompson, or the survivors of them, shall be liable to be put in suit in the same manner as public bonds given by collectors in other cases, and the same speedy mode of recovery shall be had and used as may by law be used in the case of other collectors of the public assessment; and the said Robert Peter, John Murdock, William Deakins, junior, Bernard Oneale, Edward Burgess, Walter Smith and Richard Thompson, or the survivors of them, shall, on failure of payment, be liable to pay interest at the same rate as the said John Hayman Nicholls was heretofore liable to pay on his collectors bond, the said additional interest to commence from the time of payment of said bonds respectively, and not before."

The bill concerning pardons, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Sherwood.

The petition of the justices of Baltimore county court, was read the second time, and leave given to bring in a bill to alter the time of holding Baltimore county court for civil causes. ORDERED, That Mr. Chafe, Mr. M'Mechen and Mr. John Seney, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.