

leave to report; that they find on inquiry, that there has been issued from the continental loan-office, in virtue of orders drawn by the commissioners of the board of treasury in the months of December and March last, the sum of 54,642 and $\frac{47}{100}$ ths continental state dollars; whereupon your committee came to the following resolutions, which are submitted to the consideration of both houses.

RESOLVED, That so much of the monies arising from assessment and duties appropriated to congress, being equal to the sum of continental state money issued on the orders aforesaid, and the interest thereof, be appropriated to such uses as the general assembly shall hereafter direct.

RESOLVED, That the delegates from this state to congress, be directed and instructed to apply to congress for information by what authority the aforesaid sum of 54,642 and $\frac{47}{100}$ ths continental state dollars was issued from the continental loan-office in this state, whether by any recent order or resolution of congress, or merely by the authority of the commissioners of the board of treasury of the United States, in virtue of some agreement or contract by them entered into on behalf of the United States with private persons.

RESOLVED, That if the aforesaid sum was issued merely by the authority of the said commissioners, that the delegates be directed to move in congress, that the said commissioners appear before congress, and there declare the nature and terms of the contract by them entered into, and with what persons, and exhibit an authenticated copy of said contract, and make known the names of the persons who first applied to the said commissioners for the issuing of said continental state money from the continental loan-office in this state, and declare the nature and extent of the terms first proposed by such persons, and lay before congress a copy of said terms or propositions, if reduced to writing and preserved in the board of treasury of the United States.

RESOLVED, That the delegates aforesaid be directed and instructed to obtain information from congress, whether any part of the four tenths of the continental state money reserved to the use of the United States, has been lately drawn out of the continental loan-offices of any of the other states, and which of them, and when, and to what amount, respectively.

By order,

J. G. WORTHINGTON, clk.

Which were read the first and second time, assented to, and sent to the senate by Mr. Love.

On the second reading the report respecting the auditor-general, the question was put, That the house assent to the fourth resolution? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Taney, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	Key,	McPherson,	Shaw,	Matthews,	John Seney,	Scott,
	R. Miller,	Ridgely,	Pattison,	S. Miller,	Joshua Seney,	Downes,
	Nicholls,	Roberts,	Lecompte,	Craufurd,	Jackson,	Walker,
	Fitzhugh,	Tilghman,	Steele,	F. Bowie,	Henry,	Hughlett,
	Dent,	Hayward,	Bravard,	W. Bowie,	Faw,	Taylor,
	Parnham,	Stewart,	Bond,	Quynn,	Love,	Burgeis. 36.

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Taney,	Cockey,	Brown,	Funk,	Oneale,	Griffith. 6.
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The resolutions being read throughout, the question was put, That the house assent thereto? Resolved in the affirmative. Sent to the senate by Mr. Hughlett.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the division of Washington county, and for erecting a new one by the name of Allegania. ORDERED, That Mr. Bruce, Mr. Faw, Mr. Oneale, Mr. T. Johnson and Mr. Taylor, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The report from the joint committee respecting Nicholas and Jacob Vanstaphorst, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Joshua Seney and Mr. Duvall, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the sale of inspected tobacco in certain cases. ORDERED, That Mr. Key, Mr. Craufurd, Mr. Oneale, Mr. Pattison and Mr. F. Bowie, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Nicholas Blacklock, Francis Dyer, Thomas Lyles, Robert Bowie, James Wilson and Zachariah Owens, praying that the commissioners of the tax for Prince-George's county may be vested with a power to hear and determine all disputes between the securities of Thomas Williams, deceased, and them, as his deputies, and to determine according to equity and justice, upon a consideration of all circumstances, and that such judicature be established to decide the disputes aforesaid as may appear just and proper, was preferred, read, and referred to the next session of assembly.

Samuel Hughes, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 16, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill for the relief of Henry Hunt, collector of taxes for Calvert county in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-six, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1787: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 16, 1787: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."