

Your committee further find, that the said George Woolf is the next of kin of the whole blood in America to the said George Steyer, deceased, and it appears to be the intentions of the said deceased to make him the residuary legatee.

That by the will of the said George Steyer there is some real property bequeathed to foreigners, who are aliens to this state, and cannot inherit fee-simple property by law; that it appears to your committee, that the said Philip Stock was placed at school by the said George Steyer, and intended to come to America to settle when he had finished his education.

Your committee, from the whole circumstances of the cases presented them, do recommend that a law pass to naturalize the said George Woolf, and make him a citizen at the time he came to America; and that the said Philip Stock be naturalized and capable of holding the bequests in the said George Steyer's will, provided he come to America in ———— year from the date hereof, and be naturalized agreeable to the laws of this state.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. QUINN, jun. clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Mary Wiley, having fully considered the same, beg leave to report, that your committee are of opinion, that the facts therein stated are true, and that the aforesaid Mary Wiley is entitled to the sum of £. 105 current money, so much being due to her June, 1785, as appears by an order of the orphans court of Cecil county upon colonel John Dockery Thompson, the then lieutenant of said county. Your committee therefore beg leave to propose the following resolve: That the treasurer be directed to pay unto Mary Wiley, formerly of Cecil county, but now of Kent county, or her order, the sum of £. 105 current money, with legal interest thereon from the 15th day of June, anno domini 1785. All which is submitted to your honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDR, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Ridgely, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to repeal an act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of Samuel Groom Osborne, collector of Harford county for the years seventeen hundred and eighty-four, and seventeen hundred and eighty-six, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and conceive, although the time hath elapsed for bringing in such claims, that the auditor should be authorized to pass upon the certificates therein mentioned, viz. one certificate granted to John Sweneyard Whitaker for one horse valued at £. 35, dated the 14th of August, 1781, and one other certificate to Freeborn Brown for one horse valued at £. 45, dated the 14th of August, 1781. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. QUINN, jun. clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Samuel Osborne, collector of Harford county, praying the executions issued against him and his securities may be suspended for a time, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Charles Mankin.

A petition from William Stone, of Baltimore county, setting forth, that the state is indebted to him for sundry articles during the war, which he has not received any satisfaction for, and praying relief in the premises; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Gough, Mr. Quinn and Mr. M'Mechen, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Duvall, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to authorize special bail to surrender the principal out of court; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Benjamin Nicholson, of Baltimore county, setting forth, that he is indebted to the state for confiscated property, payable in final settlement certificates, bearing interest from the first of January, 1785; that he has paid certificates at different times, bearing interest from the years 1780, 1781, 1782, 1783 and 1784, and praying that he may be allowed a credit for the interest due on the said certificates before the first of January, 1785, amounting to the sum of eight hundred and twelve pounds eighteen shillings and two-pence; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Potts, Mr. Chase and Mr. M'Mechen, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Thomas Rutland, of Anne-Arundel county, setting forth, that he is indebted to the state in the sum of £. 763 12 6, for the payment of which he gave his bond with security; that execution has issued against his property at the instance of his securities, and part thereof has been sold for one fourth of its real value, and praying relief in the premises; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Quinn, Mr. M'Pherson and Mr. Duvall, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Aquila Stinchcomb, Charles Myers, William Smith, Thomas Russell, Darby Lux and T. Yates, of Baltimore county, setting forth, that they are indebted to the state for confiscated property, payable in final settlement certificates; that by using their utmost exertions, they have been able to discharge the two first payments, and praying a further time to complete the last payment, and that executions against them be postponed for a limited time; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Forrest, Mr. Potts, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Brown and Mr. Shaw, to consider and report thereon.