

A petition from Milley Gassaway, and Nicholas Gassaway of Thomas, of Anne-Arundel county, praying the register of the land-office may be directed to record three patents granted by governor Eden in the year 1775, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Burgefs, Mr. Oneale, Mr. Duvall and Mr. Holmes, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor in Cæcil county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report on the petition of Sarah Buchanan and others, was read the second time and concurred with; and thereupon, RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore, upon the receipt, by the first day of September next, of the amount of the final settlement certificates, for which the trustees, under the act, entitled, An act to empower Sarah Buchanan, executrix of Archibald Buchanan, deceased, Alexander Cowan, Thomas Sim Lee, Daniel of Saint Thomas Jenifer, and Benjamin Nicholson, have sold the real property of the said Archibald Buchanan, shall be empowered, and he is hereby directed, further to suspend all further proceedings against the securities of the said Archibald Buchanan, until the end of the next session of assembly.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Jacob Strap, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into their consideration, and the vouchers adduced in support of it, and are of opinion that his being absent ought not to preclude him from the benefit of a law, of which his absence made him ignorant.

Your committee therefore suggest the propriety of passing a resolve, directing the auditor to liquidate said claim, and that the treasurer issue certificates thereon.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. QUINN, jun. clk.

Upon the second reading of the report from the committee of claims, ORDERED, That the said committee allow James Earle the legal costs for all process issued under the order of the attorney-general, and services actually performed in consequence of such order.

Richard Ridgely, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution in favour of Mary Wiley, the resolution authorising purchasers of certain confiscated property to pay final settlement certificates, severally endorsed; "By the senate, May 23, 1788: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill for the benefit of John Frederick Amelung, endorsed; "By the senate, May 23, 1788: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, May 24, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for the benefit of John Rousby Whittington, endorsed; "By the senate, May 22, 1788: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, May 23, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And, the bill to authorise special bail to surrender the principal out of court, endorsed; "By the senate, May 23, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, May 24, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The house adjourns till 3 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

The resolution in favour of Sarah Buchanan and others, was sent to the senate by Mr. Gough.

Mr. Bruce appeared in the house.

John Henry, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution in favour of Henry Stevenson, endorsed; "By the senate, May 24, 1788: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And the resolution in favour of George Bird, endorsed; "By the senate, May 24, 1788: Read "and dissented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill for the more effectual punishment of criminals, was read the second time by especial order, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow:

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

Abell,	Taney,	Tilghman,	Bond,	Duvall,	Scott,
R. Miller,	Gough,	Stewart,	Matthews,	Brown,	Wheeler,
Nicholls,	Cockey,	Polk,	S. Miller,	J. S. Purnell,	Loockerman,
N. Worthington,	Ridgely,	Shaw,	Craufurd,	W. Purnell,	Chafe,
B. Worthington,	Roberts,	Lecompte,	Digges,	Potts,	M'Mechen.
Carroll,	Sherwood,	Bravard,	Quynn,		