

The committee further report, that the reasons adduced by Fielder Bowie, Esquire, did not appear sufficient to excuse him for not attending during three days, and that therefore he remains liable to a fine of three pounds, to be deducted from his allowance on the journal of accounts, as directed by the act aforesaid, as likewise colonel Uriah Forrest and William Fitzhugh, Esquires, to a fine of twenty shillings each for one day's absence; that the members mentioned in the list annexed to this report, have not attended the present session, and have not sent written resignations, nor have they offered by letter or otherwise to the committee any reasons for their not attending, and consequently are liable to a fine of twenty shillings current money per day for every day they have neglected to attend, to be computed from the day appointed for the meeting of the present session.

The committee submit to the consideration of both houses, whether it would not be proper to suspend the collection of the fines incurred by the persons named in the list subjoined, until the end of the next session, as before that time they may offer such reasons as to induce the committee to remit the fines they have respectively incurred for not attending the present session, to wit, Samuel Hughes, Josiah Johnson, Archibald Patison, Walter Bowie and George Jackson.

CHARLES CARROLL, of Carrollton,  
Chairman of the joint committee.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

Whereas Samuel Norwood, Stephen Onion, and Nicholas Ruxton Moore, debtors to the state, who might, under the resolves of April session, 1787, have availed themselves by the payment of final settlement certificates, did neglect to do the same; RESOLVED, That the aforesaid persons, or any of their securities, may discharge the whole of the debt and interest due from them by the first day of September, 1788, in final settlement certificates, at the rate they might have paid the same by the resolutions aforesaid, they paying the costs which have accrued on legal proceedings against them, and that all process be suspended till that day.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Carroll.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Edward Watts, of Baltimore county, beg leave to report, that the said Edward Watts has made his first payment in final settlement certificates, under the resolves of the general assembly passed at April session, 1787, but has failed to make his second payment, and the committee believes from the reasons suggested, whereby the first payment has become forfeited to the state. Your committee have the strongest assurances, that the said Edward Watts, on a short indulgence, will be able to make the second and third payments, if the general assembly should think proper to remit the forfeiture, and accept the other payments, which the committee are of opinion ought to be done.

By order,

A. QUINN, jun. clk.

Which was read the first and second time; and thereupon,

RESOLVED, That the forfeiture of the first payment made for confiscated property by Edward Watts, of Baltimore county, in final settlement certificates, under the resolves of April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, be remitted; and that if the said Edward Watts shall discharge the balance still remaining due on or before the first day of September next, that no execution shall be issued against him.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Bravard.

The report on the petition of Benjamin Nicholson, was read the second time and concurred with.

RESOLVED, That no collection be made of the fines incurred by Samuel Hughes, Josiah Johnson, Archibald Patison, Walter Bowie and George Jackson, for not attending this session as members of the general assembly, until the end of the next session.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Bravard.

William Perry, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolutions in favour of Robert Long and Thomas Williams's securities, severally endorsed; "By the senate, May 26, 1788: "Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And, the resolutions in favour of Thomas Rutland, Francis Clement Dyer, and the collectors of the tax, severally endorsed; "By the senate, May 26, 1788: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Mr. Quynn, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An additional supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act for building a new church in the city of Annapolis; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Hughs, John Carback and John Murray, of Baltimore county, beg leave to report, that after duly examining the facts therein stated, accompanied by the oath of Thomas Bailly, of said county, they are well convinced of the indigence of the petitioners, as represented, and think they ought to be relieved agreeably to their prayer. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. QUINN, jun. clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

On progression in reading the bill to alter the place for holding elections for delegates to the general assembly in Baltimore county, the question was put, That the future election of delegates for Baltimore county be held at Reister's-town? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Gough, appeared as follow:

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