

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1788. 19

The question was then put, That the further consideration of the said petitions be postponed till Wednesday week next? Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill for the adjournment of Harford county court. ORDERED, That Mr. Fraizer, Mr. Forrest and Mr. Pinkney, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Forrest, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the said bill; which was read the first and second time by especial order and passed.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

S A T U R D A Y, November 22, 1788.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Norris, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. M'Henry. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The report on the petition of Mary Cox, was read the second time and concurred with.

Mr. Blake has leave of absence till Wednesday next.

The petition of Robert Long, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, of William, Mr. Murray, Mr. Chase, Mr. Chilton and Mr. O'Neale, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Kerr has leave of absence till Monday week next.

The report on the petition of Jehu Bowen, was read the second time and concurred with.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying a division of said county, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to consider and report on the letters and papers of Francis Deakins.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, 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 they have inquired into the facts therein stated, and find them true. The committee, under the circumstances of the case, the extreme indigence of the petitioners, their having paid up the interest, and improved the land without committing waste thereon, are of opinion, that the state would be benefited by taking the property again, and thereby save the petitioners, and their helpless families, from ruin. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from John Beale Howard, Hannah Gittings, William Groves and Peter Hunter, of Baltimore county, creditors of the late Nottingham company, praying that the time limited for bringing in claims against confiscated estates may be extended, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, of William, Mr. J. Tilghman, Mr. Duvall, Mr. O'Neale and Mr. Waggaman, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Comegys, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to encourage the destroying of wolves; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to repeal the third section of an act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice, &c. ORDERED, That Mr. Waggaman, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. O'Neale, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, the question was put, That the committee of twenty do report to this house, on Monday next, their proceedings on the subject matter referred to them, and that they suspend the draught of the bill until the further order of the house? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Mason, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Forrest,	Harwood,	W. M'Pheron,	Craufurd,	W. Purnell,	Scott,	
	Abell,	Mercer,	Ridgely, of Wm.	W. Bowie,	Houston,	Mason,	
	Thomas,	Fraizer,	Cockey,	Quynn,	Faw,	Crabb,	
	Reed,	Parnham,	Lecompte,	Sewell,	Pinkney,	O'Neale.	
	Comegys,	Dent,	Bond,	Dennis,		28.	
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Chilton,	Kerr,	Shaw,	Digges,	Edmondson,	Taylor,	
	W. Tilghman,	Chamberlaine,	Steele,	J. Tilghman,	Emory,	Lynn,	
	R. Miller,	Polk,	Matthews,	J. S. Purnell,	Coulter,	Crampton,	
	Chapman,	Waggaman,	Bravard,	J. M'Pheron,	Shryock,	Dorsey.	
	Sherwood,					25.	

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

A petition from James O'Bryon, late sheriff of Queen-Anne's county, praying an act may pass, empowering him to collect all arrearages of officers fees due to him, in the same manner that he could or might have done while he was sheriff of said county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. J. Tilghman, Mr. Ridgely, of William, Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Dent and Mr. Murray, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Benjamin Benson, of Charles county, setting forth, that as a security for Samuel Luckett, late inspector of tobacco at Chickamuxon warehouse, he hath sustained, and is yet likely to suffer, a considerable loss, in consequence of his misconduct in office; and praying an act may pass, authorising him to sell, and apply to his own use, two hogheads of tobacco in said warehouse, inspected