

Mr. Coulter, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Hawkins, a languishing prisoner in Baltimore county gaol; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for the relief of James Hawkins, a languishing prisoner in Baltimore county gaol, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

The report on the petition of Henry Hughs, and others, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Comegys has leave of absence.

The report on the petition of Samuel G. Osborne, was read the second time and concurred with.

On motion, the question was put, That the order of the day respecting Jonathan Hagar and Daniel Heester be postponed until the last Monday in December next? The house being equally divided, it was determined by the honourable speaker in the negative.

The question was then put, That the order of the day be postponed until the third Monday in December next? Resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That depositions taken at Elizabeth-town or Frederick-town by either party, after giving ten days notice to the adverse party or his attorney, be received as testimony by this house.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act granting Adam Fonerden the exclusive right of making and vending a machine called a Card-teeth Cutter, that feeds itself; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Henry Stevenson and Solomon Hellen, inspectors of Baltimore-town warehouse; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill for the relief of Henry Stevenson and Solomon Hellen, inspectors of Baltimore-town warehouse, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

The petition of Francis Clements, of Montgomery county, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and referred to Mr. O'Neale, Mr. Faw and Mr. Taylor, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Edward Barrot, of Anne-Arundel county, setting forth, that he had a servant man, at November Frederick county court, convicted of burglary, and condemned to serve four years, agreeably to an act of assembly for the more effectual punishment of criminals, to work upon the public roads, by which means he loses his time of servitude, and praying relief in the premises; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Worthington, Mr. Dent, Mr. W. M'Pherson and Mr. Mercer, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Thomas Hanson Marshall, of Charles county, setting forth, that he lent the state of Maryland two crop hogsheds of tobacco, for which he obtained a receipt from the commissioner appointed by the act of June, 1780, to procure loans in Charles county, which receipt hath been mislaid or lost, and praying the treasurer may be directed to issue a certificate to him for the said tobacco; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dent, Mr. Faw and Mr. O'Neale, to consider and report thereon.

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

## T H U R S D A Y, November 27, 1788,

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Comegys. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Jehu Bowen, a late officer in the continental army; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from James Doran, a private in the late American army, setting forth, that he lost a leg in an action on James's Island, in South-Carolina, and praying to be put on the half-pay establishment; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Digges, Mr. Dorsey and Mr. O'Neale, to consider and report thereon.

The Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of disabled and maimed officers, soldiers, marines and seamen, was read the second time and passed.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Hanson Marshall, beg leave to report, that they are well assured of the truth of the facts stated therein, and are of opinion that it would be just and reasonable to pass a resolution directing the treasurer of the western shore to issue a new certificate to the said Marshall, for the amount of the tobacco loaned, with interest due thereon, making such allowance per centum as he may deem right and proper. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

Agreeably to order, the house resolved itself into a committee of the whole; Mr. Dent in the chair. After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Chairman reported, that the committee had, according to order, taken into their consideration the subject matter referred to them, but not having had time to go through the same, had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

RESOLVED,