

dred and forty pounds current money, with interest thereon from the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, in payment for the sails, rigging, &c. of the brig Friendship, and also the further sum of fifteen pounds like money for an iron cabouse left on board said vessel; and as said payment hath not been made agreeably thereto, therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the naval officer for the port of Baltimore be and he is hereby directed to discount with and deliver to the said William Stone his bond taken for duties by the said naval officer; and that the said naval officer be directed to pay the balance due to the said William Stone, agreeably to the above-said resolve, out of any monies now in his hands, or that may hereafter come into his hands, of the one fourth of the duties appropriated to state purposes.

Which was read the first and second time and assented to.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James Hindman, beg leave to report, that it appears to them that the petitioner, as administrator of James Anderson, deceased, has a claim on bond against James Chalmers, who was attainted of treason, and his estate sold for the benefit of the state; that a considerable time elapsed between the death of the said Anderson and the taking out letters of administration on his estate, which is the reason that the said claim was not laid before the proper officer within the time limited by law. Your committee therefore are of opinion, that it will be proper to empower the auditor to examine and liquidate the said claim, and put the petitioner in the same situation as if it had been liquidated within the time appointed by the laws in such case provided. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a resolution pursuant thereto.

The report on the petition of Patrick Edwards, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

The bill for the relief of the creditors of Anthony Stewart, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Quynn.

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

By the **COMMITTEE** of ELECTIONS and PRIVILEGES.

YOUR committee beg leave to report, that by the certificate of the sheriff of Caroline county it appears, that William Banckes, Esquire, was elected and duly returned a delegate for said county in the room of Zabdiel Potter, Esquire, who has resigned his seat. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

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

A petition from Benjamin Rogers, of Baltimore county, respecting lands purchased in the year 1770 of the then lord proprietary's commissioners, lying within the reserves of Baltimore county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Chase, Mr. Ridgely, of William, Mr. Norris, Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Dent, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from James Gittings, John Merryman and John Gorfuch, of Baltimore county, respecting lands resurveyed by them, for which no patents have issued, and praying relief in the premises, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to consider and report on the petition of Benjamin Rogers.

A petition from Richard Oldham, praying an act may pass to repeal or explain an act of assembly of 1744, and that he may be enabled to hold and enjoy a point of land called Senica, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Hollyday, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from the commissioners of Charles-town, in Cæcil county, counter to the petition of Richard Oldham, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on said Oldham's petition.

A petition from sundry traders and merchants of the eastern shore, praying they may be released from the bonds for duties on merchandise imported into this state by land, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Seney, Mr. O'Neale, Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Hollyday and Mr. Chase, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to make valid the proceedings of Augustine parish, in Cæcil county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Matthews.

The house proceeded to elect by ballot two senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States; the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported, that upon examining the ballots it appeared, that the honourable John Henry had forty-one votes, the honourable George Gale forty-one, the honourable Uriah Forrest forty-one, and the honourable Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, forty; whereupon the following message was prepared, read and agreed to, and sent to the senate by Mr. Kerr.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 9, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

AS it appears by the report of the committee appointed to examine the ballot boxes, that none of the gentlemen in nomination as senators to the new federal government have a majority of votes of all the attending members of the legislature, we propose to go into a new ballot immediately. The same gentlemen are appointed by this house to examine the ballot boxes in conjunction with those who may be nominated by your honours for that purpose.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

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