

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

The resolution in favour of captain William Stone, was sent to the senate by Mr. Lynn.

A petition from William Robinson, of Montgomery county, late collector of the tax, praying the commissioners of the tax may be empowered to grant him such allowance for insolvencies as may appear just, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Banckes and Mr. Potts, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of Thomas Wirt, was read the second time, concurred with, and upon full consideration of the petition of Thomas Wirt, of Cæcil county, and other papers referred to in said petition, with the report of the committee upon the same, RESOLVED, That one moiety of the forfeiture of the sloop Nancy, condemned in the court of admiralty, be and is hereby remitted to him the said Wirt, and that he be and is hereby released from the payment of the said forfeiture belonging to this state, upon his paying the legal costs, if any.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the justices of Dorchester county court, respecting a road, beg leave to report, that they do not think the prayer of the petition ought to be granted. They have no reason to believe that such public injury or inconvenience has been experienced in the management of Akers's ferry as will justify the interposition of the legislature, which they conceive to be allowable but in cases of urgent public necessity. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

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

The resolution respecting claims against persons attainted of treason, was sent to the senate by Mr. Dennis.

Mr. Forrest has leave to withdraw previous to the going into and balloting for a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States. He withdrew accordingly.

The report on the petition of Peter Engles, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Matthews, Mr. Faw and Mr. Potts, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Nicholas Hammond, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

By THE SENATE, DECEMBER 10, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree to proceed to the election of another senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, and have appointed the same gentlemen to join in examining the ballot boxes.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and thereupon the house proceeded to ballot for a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that the honourable Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, had forty-two votes, and the honourable Uriah Forrest thirty-nine votes. Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That the honourable Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, be and he is hereby declared to be a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Benjamin Cawood, of Charles county, beg leave to report, that the said Cawood hath given bond in the treasury under the consolidating act, and the act of seventeen hundred and eighty-five, for the balance due from him as collector, and hath paid the interest in specie, nor can avail himself in the payment of certificates but so far as the taxes have been or shall be received in certificates. Your committee cannot recommend an indulgence in a particular case which is not extended to others similarly circumstanced, but they see no reason why the arrearages of taxes consolidated should not be made payable in certificates, which would sink the claim of the holders of certificates, both in interest and principal, exactly to the degree that the fund would be lessened, and give an opportunity to the legislature to save several principal and deputy-collectors, and their securities, from ruin. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

The resolution in favour of Thomas Wirt, was sent to the senate by Mr. Emory.

John Henry, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker an address from the visitors and governors of Washington college, with an account in writing of all monies by them received in virtue of an act of assembly of this state, endorsed ; " By the senate, December 10, 1788 : Read " and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The order of the day, respecting the society of people called Quakers, is postponed till to-morrow morning.

On the second reading the bill directing the time, places and manner, of holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, and for appointing electors on the part of this state for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States, and for the regulation of the said elections, the question was put, That the bill be amended by striking out the following clause, " And be it enacted, That every person coming to vote for representatives for this state in the congress of the United States, shall have a right to vote for six persons, one whereof shall