

ney; and the sum of £. 15939 11 6½ specie, which said sum is appropriated in the following manner, viz.

For the building of light-houses	£. 2438	1	6
For the payment of debts against persons convicted of treason, and British subjects,		954	13
For the payment of the journals of accounts		1072	12
Of the monies arising from assessment and duties appropriated to congress, it being retained in virtue of a resolve of the general assembly, respecting the issuing of continental money, passed November session, 1787, and subject to their directions,		11474	4
		0	½

£. 15939 11 6½

That it appears to your committee there is the sum of £. 8850 in the treasury of the emissions made by congress 18th March, 1780, it being part of the one tenth of the bills that became issuable in exchange for old continental money, and appropriated for the purpose of calling out of circulation the bills of credit emitted by the acts of assembly and resolves of convention of this state; and the farther sum of £. 3614 8 4 in bills of said emission, paid in on account of British creditors; which sums still remain unapplied.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read.

William Perry, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate certain persons in every christian church or congregation throughout the state, endorsed; "By the senate, December 8, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 13, 1788: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

The resolutions in favour of Thomas Wirt, and Corbin and Bushrod Washington, severally endorsed;

"By the senate, December 13, 1788: Read and assented to.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

And the resolution in favour of Thomas Hanson Marshall, endorsed; "By the senate, December 13, 1788: Read and assented to with the proposed amendment.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendment proposed. In the eighth line, after the word "the," insert "amount of the."

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

The order of the day is postponed till Monday morning.

A petition from Priscilla Wathen, of Charles county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Dent and Mr. O'Neale, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Thomas Dorsey, of Anne-Arundel county, praying to be allowed a further time to make his payments to the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Potts and Mr. Forrest, to consider and report thereon.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, December 15, 1788.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. R. Miller, Mr. Emory, Mr. Abell, Mr. Fraizer and Mr. W. Bowie. The proceedings of Saturday were read.

The house appointed George Johnson and Elie Vallette committee clerks. ORDERED, That they be qualified.

The resolution in favour of Nicholas Merryman, was sent to the senate by Mr. Sewell.

Mr. Sewell has leave of absence.

The bill, entitled, An act to incorporate certain persons in every Christian church or congregation throughout this state, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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 the inhabitants of Cecil county who were formerly in the Delaware and Pennsylvania governments, beg leave to report, that controversies and disputes arose between the proprietors of Pennsylvania and Maryland, respecting the boundaries between the provinces of Pennsylvania and Delaware and the province of Maryland, as early as the year 1683, and continued until the divisional line was run between the said provinces in the years 1765 and 1766; that during the continuance of these disputes, several large districts of land were settled under the title of the proprietors of Pennsylvania and Delaware, on both sides of the line as now established; that about 18,000 acres of land, being part within the limits of Pennsylvania and part within the state of Maryland, were settled by sundry persons some time in the year 1701-2, by virtue of a warrant granted them for that purpose by the commissioners of property of Pennsylvania, on the 7th March, 1701, by the name of the Nottingham Lots; that about 30,000 acres of land, lying part in Delaware and part in Maryland, were surveyed for sundry persons by a similar warrant, granted 9th October, 1701, and surveyed and returned the 15th of the same month; that the above lands have been held, used and quietly possessed, under the aforesaid titles ever since; and