

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	Chilton,	Dent,	J. Tilghman, jun.	Lecompte,	Houston,	Mason,
	Reed,	Chapman,	Chamberlaine,	S. Miller,	Faw,	Bancker,
	Comegys,	W. M'Pherson,	Polk,	Bravard,	Norris,	Shryock,
	Harwood,	Ridgely,	Waggaman,	Seney,	Pinkney,	Lynn,
	Worthlington,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Murray,	Dennis,	Jarrett,	Crabb,
	Gantt,	Cockey,	Shaw,	W. Purnell,	Edmondson,	O'Neale.
	Parnham,	Sherwood,				58.

N E G A T I V E.

Messrs.	Thomas,	Fitzhugh,	Matthews,	Quynn,	Potts,	Sprigg,
	W. Tilghman,	Kerr,	Digges,	J. Tilghman,	J. M'Pherson,	Taylor.
	Chafe,	Bond,	F. Bowie,	Hollyday,	Coulter,	17.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

James Carroll, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to repeal part of an act entitled, An act for the better administration of justice, &c. and also part of an act for the advancement of justice, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
"By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
The bill for the benefit of Thomas Ruston, endorsed; "By the senate, December 16, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
"By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendment.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Amendment proposed. Strike out from the beginning of the preamble to the end of the last clause, and insert as follows: "Whereas it appears to this general assembly, that Thomas Ruston, of the state of Pennsylvania, during his residence in Great-Britain, in the late war, manifested his attachment and friendship to the United States; and this general assembly being desirous to remove all disabilities which the said Thomas Ruston may labour under, in consequence of his residence heretofore in Great-Britain; Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That all and every disability which the said Thomas Ruston, by the laws of this state, may be liable or subject to in consequence of his residence at any time heretofore in Great-Britain, be and are hereby removed; and the said Thomas Ruston is hereby declared to be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a citizen of the United States, and be vested with the same titles and advantages, with respect to any claim against this state, as if he had been a citizen of Pennsylvania at the time of the death of his father Job Ruston.

"And be it further enacted, That in case the said Thomas Ruston shall establish his claim to any confiscated property in this state, that the treasurer of the western shore assign to him bonds arising from the sale thereof, to the amount or value of such claim, after deducting all expences of the said sale, and all costs which the state may be subject to in consequence of the passage of this act."

Which was read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.  
The bill to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act to open the courts of justice, and for other purposes, and to fix the holding of the general court for the eastern shore at Talbot, endorsed; "By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
"By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
Ordered to be engrossed.  
And the resolution in favour of Samuel Groom Osborne, endorsed; "By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read and assented to with the proposed amendment.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
Amendment proposed. Strike out from the word "required," in the 4th line from the bottom, to the end of the resolution, and insert "to pass the amount of the sum so certified by the auditor to the credit of the said Samuel Groom Osborne in his account, as late collector for Harford county, in the same manner as he would have been so entitled if the time limited as aforesaid not had yet expired."

Which was read the first and second time and agreed to.  
Nicholas Hammond, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to enable the court of appeals to continue certain causes therein depending, endorsed; "By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
"By the senate, December 17, 1788: Read the second time by especial order and will not pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.  
On motion, the question was put, That the committee of claims close the journal of accounts on Saturday morning next? The yeas and nays being called for, by Mr. O'Neale, appeared as follow: