

The bill concerning the public roads in Baltimore county, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate, with the bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to lay out several turnpike roads in Baltimore county, by Mr. Ridgely.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to enable the high court of appeals to continue certain causes therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, December 18, 1788: Read the first and second time by especial order and will pass. J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 18, 1788.

GENTLEMEN,

THE desire that the members of this house have to return to their respective homes, have determined the senate to rise on Saturday next, being convinced that the necessary business of a public nature may be completed by that time; and that all private business, not finished by that day, will be postponed to the next session. This house propose to adjourn to the first Monday of November next.

By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

Which was read.

The bill for enlarging the time for collection of officers fees, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. W. Tilghman.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Worthington, of Montgomery county, beg leave to report, that they have considered the said petition, and are of opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted. 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 bill pursuant thereto.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Beall, of the city of Williamsburgh, state of Virginia, beg leave to report, that they have considered the said petition, and are of opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted. 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 bill pursuant thereto.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying for commissioners to be appointed to open and lay out a road, in the straightest and most convenient manner, from the Great Falls of Gunpowder, at a place known by the name of Meredith's Ford, until it intersects the main road leading from Baltimore town to York town at a place called Buck's Old Field, beg leave to report, that they are of opinion a law should pass appointing commissioners for that purpose, provided they do not carry the same through the lands of any person or persons without his or their consent. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

G. JOHNSON, clk.

Which was read, and referred to the next session of assembly.

The following message being prepared, was read and agreed to.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 18, 1788.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

HAVING the same anxiety with your honours to repair to our respective homes, we accede to your proposition by Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, and will endeavour to be prepared to put a period to the session on Saturday.

This house will adjourn to the last day of September next.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

On the second reading the report on the lands lying to the westward of Fort Cumberland, the question was put, That the word "assigns" be struck out of the said report? Resolved in the affirmative.

On progression in reading the said report, the question was put, That the word "heirs" be struck out, and the words "legal representatives" inserted in the clause directing 2520 lots of the said lands to be distributed by lot among the soldiers and recruiting officers, and their heirs? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. O'Neale, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messrs	Forrest,	Fitzhugh,	Chamberlaine,	Digges,	Dennis,	Sprigg,	
	Chilton,	Parnham,	Polk,	F. Bowie,	Jarrett,	Shryock,	
	Thomas,	Dent,	Bond,	Quynn,	Edmondson,	Taylor,	
	W. Tilghman,	Chapman,	Matthews,	Duvall,	Banckes,	Lynn,	
	Mercer,	W. M'Pherfon,	Bravard,	Hollyday,	Coulter,	Dorsey.	33.
Chafe,	Kerr,	Craufurd,					
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messrs.	Reed,	Ridgely, of Wm.	S. Miller,	W. Purnell,	Pinkney,	Crabb,	
	Gantt,	Cockey,	W. Bowie,	Houston,	Mason,	O'Neale.	16.
	Ridgely,	Sherwood,	Seney,	Norris,			

So it was resolved in the affirmative.