

the petitioner's prayer is reasonable, and 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. Digges, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Jason Jenkins, of Prince-George's county, beg leave to report, that they have considered the allegations therein set forth, which appear to be true; your committee are therefore of opinion, that the treasurer should be directed to issue a new certificate to Jason Jenkins for the sum of sixty pounds nine shillings and four-pence, of the same tenor and date as the one said to be lost by the petitioner, bearing interest from the 23d day of June, 1783, upon his giving bond, with sufficient security, to indemnify the state in case the said certificate, so alleged to be lost, shall hereafter appear to have been paid. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read.

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

Mr. J. Worthington brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Charles Worthington, of Montgomery county, in the state of Maryland; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Stull brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Barbara Hall; which was read the first and second time by especial order, and passed.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 16, 1789.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate having a sufficient number of members to compose a house, inform the delegates that they are ready to proceed to the business of the session, and the election of a governor at two o'clock this day; and have appointed Peregrine Tilghman and James Carroll, Esquires, to examine the ballot boxes. No person is named in the senate but the honourable John Eager Howard, Esquire.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time. ORDERED, That Mr. J. Tilghman, Mr. U. Forrest and Mr. M'Henry, be a committee to prepare an answer thereto.

A petition from Thomas Bond, son of John, stating that he is confined in Harford county gaol, and praying to be liberated, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition of Adam Bontz, of Frederick county.

Mr. J. Tilghman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 16, 1789.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE shall be ready to proceed to the choice of a governor at the hour fixed in your message by Charles Carroll, Esquire, and have appointed Mr. Hopewell, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Steele, to examine the ballot boxes in conjunction with the gentlemen mentioned by your house. No person is named in this house in addition to the honourable John Eager Howard, Esquire.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, agreed to, and sent to the senate by Mr. Seney.

The bill to confirm an act, entitled, An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government as prevent a citizen from taking a seat in the legislature, or being an elector of the senate, without taking an oath to the support of this government, passed November session, 1788; the resolution in favour of William Hendersides; the bill for the benefit of Barbara Hall; and the bill to empower the administrator de bonis non of Richard Lee, late of Charles county, deceased, and the administrator de bonis non of Philip Thomas Lee, deceased, to sell such part of the said estates, on credit, as may be necessary for the payment of the debts due from the said respective intestates, and to enable the said administrator to make a distribution of the estate of the said Philip Thomas Lee among his representatives; were sent to the senate by Mr. Norris.

The house having qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the choice of a governor; and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that the honourable John Eager Howard, Esquire, was unanimously elected. Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That the honourable John Eager Howard, Esquire, be, and he is hereby declared to be, governor of the state of Maryland.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by Mr. Moore.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 16, 1789.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house will sit, during this session, for the dispatch of public business, from nine o'clock in the morning till three in the afternoon.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

John Hall, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message :

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