

French army, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Quynn, Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Henry and Mr. Z. Forrest, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from William Stayton, of Baltimore-town, stating that he is confined in Baltimore county gaol, and praying to be liberated, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from William Hammond, stating that he lodged in the treasury a sum of continental money, being of the value of £. 33 2 6 black state money, on account of James Russell and James Gildart, under the act of assembly passed October session, 1780, since which he hath fully paid and satisfied the said Russell and Gildart, and praying a return of the money paid into the treasury, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Henry, Mr. Parnham and Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Ezekiel Hopkins, of Baltimore, stating that he is indebted to the state for the purchase of certain confiscated property; that he is unable to comply with his contract, and praying further indulgence; was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from William Veazey, of the state of Delaware, praying an act may pass empowering him to remove his negroes from the state of Delaware to this state, for the purpose of cultivating his land, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Stewart and Mr. O'Brien, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Edward Oldham, of Cecil county, stating that he became security to the state for major Thomas Yates, for the purchase of certain confiscated property, and praying, that on his discharging their bond, a patent may be granted to him, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Matthews, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. W. Tilghman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to ratify certain articles in addition to, and amendment of, the constitution of the United States of America, proposed by congress to the legislatures of the several states; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Gale, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the preservation of the breed of wild deer, and for other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Faw, Mr. Shriver and Mr. Dorsey, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Norris, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of swine in Belle-Air, in Harford county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Shaw, Mr. Winder and Mr. Lecompte, be added to the committee appointed to prepare and bring in a bill to prevent the exportation of bad and unmerchantable staves, &c.

The bill to regulate auctions in Baltimore-town, in Baltimore county, was sent to the senate by Mr. M<sup>c</sup>Henry.

The resolution respecting Richard Harrison, was sent to the senate by Mr. Parnham.

The report on the petition of Philip Reed, was read the second time and concurred with.

A petition from Thomas Miles, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Crabb, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Oneale, to consider and report thereon.

On the second reading the letter from Alexander Hamilton, secretary of the treasury of the United States, RESOLVED, That the governor and council take order on the letter from Alexander Hamilton, secretary of the treasury of the United States, addressed to the governor, dated September 26, 1789. Sent to the senate by Mr. Murray.

Peregrine Tilghman, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the paper bill No. 1, endorsed; "By the senate, November 20, 1789: The engrossed bill whereof this is the original" read and assented to.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

The bill to open a road from or near Christian Bower's mill, on Big Pipe creek, in Frederick county, by Ox Moor's mill, on Patapsco falls, to intersect the great public road leading from Westminster-town to Baltimore-town, endorsed; "By the senate, November 17, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, November 21, 1789: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Amendments proposed. After the word "Blizard," in the 10th line of the 1st page, strike out the words "or any two of them," and after the word "commissioners," in the succeeding line, insert "for the purposes in this act mentioned; and the said commissioners, or any two of them," and strike out the word "and," following the word "commissioners," in the same line. Strike out to the end of the clause, after the word "Baltimore" in the 4th line from the bottom of the 1st page, and insert "and the said road, when so laid out and opened, and cleared and completed at the expence of the said subscribers, and after the valuation herein after directed to be made, or the damages hereby directed to be assessed, shall be paid or secured to the individuals concerned, shall be recorded among the records of Frederick and Baltimore county courts, and be thereafter deemed and