

The report on the memorial of Bushrod and Corbin Washington, was read the second time, and committed for amendment.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Durham, beg leave to report, that they have considered the same, and are of opinion, that as the chancellor has the power to grant relief to the petitioner, if the facts stated should be proven; it is not a proper subject for legislative interference, and that the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

A petition from Anthony Addison and Overton Carr, of Prince-George's county, praying an act may pass empowering them to dispose of the personal property of Henry Addison Callis, a minor, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. W. Tilghman and Mr. Dashiell, to consider and report thereon.

Richard Ridgely, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolution respecting the letter from the secretary of the treasury of the United States, and the resolution empowering the governor and council to suspend the proceedings of the agents, severally endorsed; "By the senate, November 23, 1789: Read the first and second time by especial order and assented to.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the town of Bladensburg, in Prince-George's county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. R. Bowie, Mr. Craik and Mr. Digges, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Gabriel Duvall, a delegate returned for the city of Annapolis, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, and taking the oath to support the constitution of the United States, took his seat in the house.

The amendments to the bill to open a road from or near Christian Bower's mill, on Big Pipe creek, in Frederick county, by Ox Moor's mills, on Patapsco falls, to intersect the great public road leading from Winchester-town to Baltimore-town, were read the second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Whereas there is a vacancy in the treasury department of the eastern shore of this state, by the death of Henry Dickinson, Esquire, late treasurer of that shore; RESOLVED, That this house will fill such vacancy, by ballot, on Tuesday next at one o'clock.

A memorial from Thomas Loockerman, late sheriff of Dorchester county, praying a law may pass to enable him, by execution or otherwise, to collect the arrearages of state and county taxes and officers fees due him, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Whitely, Mr. Murray, Mr. Steele and Mr. Gale, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of certain purchasers of confiscated property. ORDERED, That Mr. Duvall, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Oldham, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The reports on the petitions of Joseph Lemmon and Francis Clements, were read the second time, concurred with, and thereupon, RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore issue to Francis Clements a certificate for the sum of sixty-nine pounds ten shillings and three-pence, on interest from the nineteenth day of September, seventeen hundred and eighty-four, of the same tenor and date of the one heretofore issued him; and one other certificate to Joseph Lemmon, for one hundred and twenty-two pounds ten shillings, on interest from the twelfth day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, of the same tenor and date as the one formerly issued to Doctor James Murray, in lieu of the aforesaid certificates lost, on their entering into bond, with security to be approved by the treasurer, to indemnify this state in case the said certificates should hereafter appear to have been paid by the state.

Sent to the senate by Mr. Crabb.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Hamilton, beg leave to report, that they have examined into the subject referred to their consideration, and are of opinion, that by resolution the auditor-general ought to be empowered to decide on the propriety of the several charges against the state referred to in said petition, and if just, that the petitioner have credit on his bond for the same. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants residing on the reserved lands westward of Fort Cumberland, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the times of payment ought to be extended so as to afford relief, and that the second section of the law respecting the reserved lands westward of Fort Cumberland, ought to be amended accordingly.

Your committee are further of opinion, that those petitioners who have not made the first payment, should be empowered to make the same by the first day of May next; which, when made, should be good and valid, in the same manner as if they had complied by making payment in time, provided their lots of land have not as yet been proclaimed, nor shall be by the said time.

Your committee further report, that considering the situation of the said petitioners, they should be indulged as far as the interest of the state would admit; they therefore think that the said petition-