

Petitions from James Forbes and Benjamin Lane, of Baltimore-town, stating that they are confined in Baltimore county gaol, and praying to be released, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from Providence Lane, respecting her claim of dower to two tracts of land sold by her deceased husband to Samuel Lane, of Anne-Arundel county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Duvall, Mr. Murray and Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Miles, of Baltimore county, beg leave to report, that the petitioner is entitled to redress, the facts in his petition appearing to be true ; they are therefore of opinion that his case is properly relievable in chancery, and therefore recommend that a resolve should pass the legislature suspending the execution against him on behalf of the state, till the chancellor should decide on his petition, now depending before him. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of Patrick Hamilton, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith ? Resolved in the affirmative. Leave given to bring in a resolution pursuant thereto.

Mr. Matthews brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following resolution :

Whereas Patrick Hamilton, of Cæcil county, has set forth in his petition to this general assembly, that a number of charges which he could have made against this state did not come to his knowledge till after he had passed his bond to the late intendant of the revenue for the balance he owed as collector of taxes ; RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby empowered to examine the charges aforesaid, and on a view of the settlement with the intendant, if he shall certify that they, or any part of them, are just and proper, the treasurer of the western shore shall give credit accordingly on said Hamilton's bond.

Which was read the first and second time, and the question put, That the house assent thereto ? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Faw, appeared as follow :

		A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Moore,	Winder,	Matthews,	Houston,	Whitely,	Ott,	
	Harwood,	Shaw,	Oldham,	Norris,	Emory,	Lynn,	
	Ridgely, of Wm.	Steele,	Clark,	Love,	Shryock,	Craik.	'22.
	Gale,	Bond,	O'Brion,	Banckes,			
		N E G A T I V E.					
Messieurs	Barnes,	Somervell,	Sherwood,	Quynn,	Dashiell,	Mason,	
	N. Worthington,	Craik,	Lecompte,	Seney,	Faw,	Stall,	
	Fraizer,	M'Pherson,	W. Bowie,	Purnell,	Shriver,	Oneale.	22
	Freeland,	Ridgely,	Digger,	Dennis,			

The house being equally divided, the question was determined in the negative by the honourable speaker.

The report on the petition of Levin Hopkins, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith ? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of certain purchasers of confiscated property ; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The petition of Thomas Worrell, of Kent county, was referred to Mr. Murray, Mr. W. Tilghman and Mr. Oneale, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of Robert Hodgson and Gersham Johnson, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. W. Tilghman, Mr. Clark and Mr. Matthews, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

Mr. W. Tilghman has leave of absence.

The report on the petition of Thomas Alexander Thompson, was read the second time and committed for amendment.

Mr. Faw, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to straighten, amend and repair, the public road in Frederick county leading towards Carlisle, in Pennsylvania ; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. Ott.

On motion, ORDERED, That the clerk deliver a copy of the proceedings of this house every week to the printer, for the purpose of expediting the publication thereof.

The report on the petition of Charles Carroll and Edward Oldham and wife, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

The report of the commissioners appointed to dispose of the reserved lands westward of Fort Cumberland, was read the second time. ORDERED, That the same be referred to Mr. Duvall, Mr. J. Worthington, Mr. Craik, Mr. Lynn, Mr. Faw, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Seney, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Providence Lane, of Baltimore county, beg leave to report, that they have no reason to question the truth of the allegations therein contained ;