

ought to be granted, and that a resolve should pass authorizing the treasurer, or officer in whose hands Mr. ——— Mafon's bond may be, to deliver up the same to the said Richard Mafon, upon his producing satisfactory vouchers that all charges and fees which may have accrued from the said seizure have been paid and satisfied by the said Richard Mafon. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Worrell, of Kent county, son of Edward Worrell, deceased, late sheriff of said county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the prayer of the petition into their consideration, and are of opinion that a bill ought to pass vesting the said petitioner with the powers prayed, enabling him to collect the arrears due his deceased father, as sheriff of said county.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Murray, Mr. M. Tilghman and Mr. Matthews, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of Benjamin Harwood, of the city of Annapolis, beg leave to report, that they have examined the allegations therein contained, and find them to be truly stated, and are of opinion that the amount of the bills of exchange drawn by the state of Maryland in favour of the said Benjamin Harwood, as mentioned in the said memorial, upon the trustees of the bank stock at London, ought to be paid by this state.

Your committee decline giving an opinion respecting the claim of interest upon the said bills from their respective dates, and the charges of protest, as prayed for in the said memorial; but submit the same to the consideration of your honours.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

T. PURDY, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of Nancy Handy, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? Resolved in the affirmative.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Richard Waters and John Eccleston, beg leave to report, that on the fourth day of August, 1785, the petitioners purchased of the state of Maryland the lands mentioned in the petition, under a particular agreement, a copy of which is herewith laid before the house; that since said purchase, the heirs of colonel Ryder have so far proceeded to establish their claim, which was made by them on the day of sale, as to have obtained a commission to establish the bounds of the tract of land called Bartholomew's Close, and have taken fundry depositions thereon, copies of which are laid before this honourable house.

Your committee, not having the plot of the said tract before them, cannot ascertain with precision what part of the land will be taken away by the claim of the heirs of colonel Ryder, if the beginning of Bartholomew's Close be established according to the depositions taken; but from the best information which your committee have been able to obtain, the petitioners will each of them lose about eighty acres, and that of the most valuable part of said purchase.

Your committee are of opinion that the executions issued against them, and all further process on their bonds, be suspended until the chancellor shall determine finally on the petition of the aforesaid Richard Waters, concerning the said purchase.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. KNAPP, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petitions of Benjamin Dashiell and William Morris, and Robert Lemmon, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

The report on the petition of Sarah Buchanan and John Taylor, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a resolution pursuant thereto.

Mr. Speaker communicates a letter of resignation from Randolph Brandt Latimer, as auditor-general; which was read.

Mr. Shryock, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors, confined in fundry gaols of this state; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

George Gale, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill 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, endorsed; "By the senate, November 25, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, November 30, 1789: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

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