

the proprietary government, and renewed on the ninth day of June, in the year seventeen hundred and seventy-four, which in July of the same year was laid on land formerly in Frederick, but now in Allegany county, the certificate and warrant of which survey were both lost by accident; and if the certificate thereof should be found, the same shall be null and void.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Parker, of Cæcil county, report, that they have taken into consideration the circumstances of the case, and are of opinion that the peculiar situation of the petitioner requires the interposition of the legislature. Your committee therefore commend the following resolution to pass in his favour.

RESOLVED, That the register of the land-office, under the direction of the chancellor, be and he is hereby directed to issue to Joseph Parker, of Cæcil county, a patent for such part of the East Nottingham lands, in said county, as the said Parker claims, upon making his title thereto appear to the satisfaction of the chancellor, and upon paying for the same at the rate of fifteen pounds per hundred acres in depreciation or other liquidated state certificates, and the fees of office, and all the fees chargeable to this state in making and returning surveys of said land, and all costs of suit on his father's bond, if any, which have not been remitted by former resolves.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. WINCHESTER, jun. clk.

Mr. Ridgely, of William, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for laying out a road from Samuel Owings's bridge to Nicholas Carroll's grist mill, in Baltimore county, and from thence to Chestnut Ridge, until it intersects the road at the plantation formerly possessed by Peter Bond; which was read the first and second time by especial order, and passed.

Nicholas Hammond, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors confined in sundry gaols of this state, endorsed; "By the senate, November 19, 1790: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk.

"By the senate, November 29, 1790: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

The resolution in favour of Ebenezer Mackie, endorsed; "By the senate, November 26, 1790: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk.

"By the senate, November 29, 1790: Read the second time and assented to.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk."

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 30, 1790.

GENTLEMEN,

WE do not apprehend that there exists any necessity for suspending the resolution which limits the time for preferring and acting upon private petitions. The subjects mentioned in your message are of a public nature, and the general assembly have it in their power to adopt any regulation which may include all the cases of public debtors, without having for its ground individual applications.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, jun. clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Key appeared in the house.

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

Mr. Burgess, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act to regulate the inspection of tobacco; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till 5 o'clock, for the purpose of dispatching private business.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

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

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

The proposition in favour of John Tomlinson, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent thereto? Resolved in the affirmative.

The report on the petition of Henry Sibell, was read the second time and concurred with.

The memorial of Benjamin Harwood, referred from the last to the present session, was read, and referred to Mr. Quynn, Mr. Ridgely, of William, and Mr. J. Worthington, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petitions of sundry insolvent debtors, report, that they have examined the petition and certificate of John Taylor, of Harford county, and find that he has given due public notice of his intention to petition the legislature, and it appears that he is not able to pay his debts, and that he must remain in confinement, to the great injury of himself and family,