

The bill to authorise the commissioners for building a court-house at Easton, in Talbot county, to sell and dispose of the old court-house, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

Mr. Wright, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to remedy the defects of sheriffs bonds taken in certain cases; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

S A T U R D A Y, November 12, 1791.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Thomas Beall, of Samuel, a delegate returned for Allegany county, and Mr. William Pinkney, a delegate returned for Harford county, 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 their seats in the house.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of Thomas Savin, and Richard Savin, security for said Thomas, beg leave to report, that they have examined the premises, and do find that the British army, on their arrival in the Chesapeake on their way to Philadelphia, landed and encamped several days on the estate of the said Thomas Savin, father to the petitioners, during which time they committed waste, abuse and damage, to the amount of two thousand pounds current money; soon after which, and before the said waste could be repaired, said Thomas Savin died, by which circumstance the estate rented so very low as to be insufficient to support a family of small children left by him, which deprived the executors of the power of complying with the late indulgence held out by the state; we are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, so far as to relieve them from the payment of the interest of said debt. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

A petition from Thomas Russell, of Cæcil county, stating that he purchased land of the state, in the quality of which he was deceived, and praying relief in the premises, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Pinkney and Mr. Comegys, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from George Wallace, of Cæcil county, praying that an act may pass to confirm his title to a lot purchased from the commissioners of confiscated estates, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on Thomas Russell's petition to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Edward Oldham, a delegate returned for Cæcil county, 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 bill, entitled, An act to authorise and empower the justices of Anne-Arundel county to increase the salaries of the inspectors of tobacco at Elk-Ridge Landing warehouse, was read the second time, and committed for amendment.

The bill to lay a further tax on Cæcil county to complete the court-house, prison and prison yard, at Elkton, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

The bill to remedy the defects of sheriffs bonds taken in certain cases, was read the second time by especial order and passed.

A petition from Robert Amos, late a collector of the tax for Harford county, praying to be released from interest on arrearages of taxes, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Chesley, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Tilghman, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Benjamin Osborn, of Harford county, praying to be released from taxes on property sold by him since the last assessment, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Mercer, Mr. Goldsborough and Mr. Clark, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Cæcil and Harford counties, praying that commissioners may be appointed to lay out a road from a place in Cæcil county, called Stoney Battery, through West Nottingham, to that part of the river Susquehanna known by the name of Lewis Lee's Ferry, and from thence till it intersects the main road in Harford county, leading from Smith's ferry by the Cumberland forge, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Love, Mr. Oldham and Mr. Gough, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to revive and aid the proceedings of Harford county court, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Love and Mr. Wright, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplementary act to an act, entitled, An act for the better administration of justice in the several counties of this state. ORDERED, That Mr. Mercer, Mr. Wright, Mr. Seney, Mr. Pinkney and Mr. Tilghman, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Hopewell, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to enable the justices of Saint-Mary's county court to assess a sum of money on the said county for the support of James Mills, son of John, of the said county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from James O'Bryon, of Queen-Anne's county, praying that the treasurer of the western shore may be directed to refund a sum of money with which he was overcharged in his account