

tobacco at the several warehouses in said county, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to authorize and empower the justices of Anne-Arundel county to increase the salaries of the inspectors of tobacco at the several warehouses in said county, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by Mr. J. Worthington.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Cæcil county. ORDERED, That Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Oldham and Mr. Goldborough, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Simon Wicks, of Kent county, beg leave to report, that they have examined the case of the petitioner, and find that William Brown, on the 17th of November, 1784, purchased of the commissioners for confiscated estates two hundred and sixty-four acres of land for £. 1716 0 0, and passed bond for the same, with the petitioner security; that at the time of sale there was a crop of wheat on the ground, which had been sown by Joan Lowman, of said county, and who, at the time of harvest, claimed the same, and did actually cut down and carry away one half of the wheat, amounting, according to the best information the committee have obtained, to nearly three hundred bushels of wheat; that the petitioner, security to the said William Brown, has been forced to take the whole matter to himself, and, as far as possible, to satisfy the demands of the state; that the petitioner, together with the said William Brown, hath paid into the treasury, by a statement under the hand of the treasurer, £. 2191 2 0, the original debt being only £. 1716 0 0; that, considering the large payments made by the said Brown, and petitioner as security, your committee are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and a reasonable allowance be ascertained in such manner as the legislature shall direct, be made the petitioner. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Gibbon has leave of absence.

The house adjourns till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

M O N D A Y, November 14, 1791.

THE house met. Present the same members as on Saturday, except Mr. T. Bond, Mr. Gibbon and Mr. Wright. The proceedings of Saturday were read. Mr. Joseph Wilkinson and Mr. Thomas Harwood, two delegates returned for Calvert county, Mr. Thomas Turner, a delegate returned for Montgomery county, and Mr. Thomas D. Cockey, a delegate returned for Baltimore 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.

A petition from the vestry and sundry inhabitants of Saint-James's parish, in Baltimore county, praying an act to confirm their title to a certain parcel of land purchased by them, and afterwards confiscated, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. Mr. Gough and Mr. Ridgely, to consider and report thereon.

The report on the petition of Joseph Parker, was read the second time and concurred with.

A petition from Joseph H. Jones, Francis King and Josiah Hitchcock, praying acts of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from Peter Hunter, of Baltimore county, praying that he may be enabled to recover debts due to him from James Russell, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Chesley, Mr. Oneale and Mr. Pinkney, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Elizabeth Norris, of Harford county, praying that the state would grant her certain lands of her late husband, at the price the same was purchased from the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Tilghman and Mr. Love, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Peter Lawson, praying to be released from the interest of a debt due the state by John Ward Veazey, and paid by him, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Oldham, Mr. Goldborough and Mr. Pinkney, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Weems, of Calvert county, praying compensation for a house occupied by the public in the late war, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. P. Smith, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Wilkinson, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. M'Mechen appeared in the house.

A petition from Thomas Moor, praying that he may be satisfied for a claim he had against the Nottingham company, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Seney, Mr. Pinkney and Mr. Wilkinson, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to increase the allowance of jurymen and witnesses in the several county courts of this state. ORDERED, That Mr. Goldborough, Mr. Lecompte, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Tilghman and Mr. Wright, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Samuel Smith, a delegate returned for Baltimore-town, and Mr. William Craik, a delegate returned for Charles 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.