

Mr. Oldham, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :
 THE committee to whom was referred the petition of George Kelly, late a soldier in the Maryland line, report; that they have minutely examined and considered the several vouchers and papers produced to them, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner, to be compensated for his services, is reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and thereupon,
 RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby authorized and directed to settle with, and grant certificates for depreciation of pay unto, George Kelly, late a soldier in the seventh Maryland regiment, in the same manner, and on the same terms, that depreciation of pay hath been heretofore granted to the troops of this state, and the same be charged to the United States.

The report on the petition of Alexander M'Pherson and Richard Edelen, was read the second time, concurred with, and the resolution therein assented to.

Mr. Tilghman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :
 THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Basil Williams, of Cæcil county, beg leave to report, that on consideration of all the circumstances mentioned in the petition, they are of opinion that it would be highly improper for the legislature to interfere in the manner prayed for by the petitioner, and that therefore the petition ought not to be granted.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

A petition from Joseph Evans, of Baltimore county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

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

Mr. Turner has leave of absence till Monday next.

Mr. Chapman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to empower the justices of Charles county to assess and levy a sum of money on said county to repair their court-house and build a record-office; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from Philip Hall, of Baltimore county, praying that the register of the land-office be directed to issue a patent for a parcel of land in Baltimore county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Gough, Mr. Oneale, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. Mr. Lecompte and Mr. Eccleston, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. M'Mechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report :

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Buchanan, of Baltimore county, report, that they have examined the same, and vouchers therewith exhibited, and find that William Young, late of said county, in November, 1757, did execute a deed for a tract of land called Narrow Bottom, to a certain Benjamin Arnold, which lies in Frederick county, but the said deed was acknowledged and recorded in Baltimore county, on a supposition that the said land lay in Baltimore county; that the said Benjamin Arnold conveyed the said land to William Buchanan, which deed was properly acknowledged and recorded in Frederick county; and the said William Buchanan since sold the land to a certain Legh Master; that the said William Young made his will, in writing, and bequeathed all the residue of his real estate, for life, to his wife Clare Young, and after her death, to his daughter Rebecca Young for her life, and at her death, to be divided amongst his grand-children; that his wife Clare Young is since dead, but the daughter Rebecca Young, and several grand-children, are still living. Your committee do further find, that Benjamin Ambrose, Henry Ambrose, and George and Mary Matthews, about the year 1760 or 1761, did convey to Benjamin Swop a tract of land called Arnold's Choice, containing about 500 acres, situate in Frederick county, and that about the year 1761, a patent was granted Benjamin Swop for 30 acres of land situate in Frederick county, by the name of Beauty Spot; that the said land called Arnold's Choice and Beauty Spot, were conveyed, by the name of Benedict Swop, to the said William Buchanan, which was his right name, and not Benjamin Swop; that the said William Buchanan has since sold the said lands to the said Legh Master, and the said Legh Master will not pay the purchase money, alleging the above defects in the said William Buchanan's title as an excuse. Your committee are of opinion that a law pass to cure the said mistake of Benjamin Swop instead of Benedict Swop, saving the right of all persons. Your committee are further of opinion that a law ought to pass for recording the deed from William Young to Benjamin Arnold, in Frederick county, provided the said petitioner cannot get relief in the high court of chancery. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

The bill to enlarge the powers of the trustees of the poor in the several counties therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill 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, endorsed; "By the senate, November 14, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, November 23, 1791: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Amendments