

A petition from Francis Warren Hawkins and Thomas Hopewell, of Charles county, counter to the petition of Edward Ware Boswell, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to prevent abuses in making of bricks, and to ascertain the dimensions thereof, in Kent county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 24, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.  
"By the senate, November 26, 1792: Read the second time and will pass.  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

And the bill to prevent swine going at large in the town of Cumberland, in Allegany county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 22, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk.  
"By the senate, November 26, 1792: Read the second time and will not pass.  
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

Mr. Clark appeared in the house. Mr. Eccleston has leave of absence.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Long, of Baltimore county, report, they have taken the same into consideration, but from the complicated statement of his claim, they are at a loss to form an opinion on the subject; they think it would be the most advisable measure to refer the whole of his claim to the decision of the chancellor, for which purpose the committee beg leave to submit the following resolution to the consideration of the house.

RESOLVED, That all proceedings at law against Robert Long, of Baltimore county, on account of bonds he hath passed to the state of Maryland, be delayed and suspended until the twentieth day of May next, and in the mean time the chancellor be authorized and empowered to inquire into all claims and demands that the said Robert Long hath against the state of Maryland, without regarding the regular course of procedure, provided that the chancellor shall not decree to the said Robert Long a greater sum for the waste of timber, and detention of his lands by the Principio company, than nine hundred pounds specie, and for the legal costs of suit ninety-nine pounds fifteen shillings and five-pence one farthing, being in the whole nine hundred and ninety-nine pounds fifteen shillings and five-pence one farthing, but to say how and when said sums of money ought to have been paid; and the decree, when made, to be transmitted to the treasurer of the western shore on or before the aforesaid twentieth day of May, who shall settle with the said Robert Long according to the principles and directions of said decree.

All which is submitted to this honourable house.

By order, C. WAYMAN, clk.  
Which was read the first and second time and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Amos, of Harford county, have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion, that the auditor-general ought to be empowered to examine and liquidate the claim of his deceased father against the confiscated estate of John Hide, of Great-Britain, deceased, upon fair and equitable principles; and that, upon the liquidation thereof, the treasurer of the western shore credit the bond of the said Amos with the amount thereof; and beg leave to submit the following resolution:

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that John Hide, deceased, of the kingdom of Great-Britain, in his lifetime was indebted to the aforesaid William Amos in the sum of nineteen pounds sterling money, in the year one thousand seven hundred and fifty-four, which debt is still unsatisfied, and justly due to the said William Amos, which said sum of money was put in the hands of the said John Hide in consideration of a contract made with his agent, William Thomas, for a tract of land lying in Harford county, known by the name of the Grove, which contract not being legally confirmed, the aforesaid land was confiscated and sold to the said William Amos, for which he gave his bond without having any allowance for the aforesaid sum of money, but was promised by the intend-ant, of whom he purchased, that he should have credit on his bond for so much as it amounted to, for which purpose the said William Amos soon after exhibited a proved account of the aforesaid claim to the auditor, which was returned to the said William Amos by the auditor for amendment, which account was, by the said William Amos, lost or mislaid, which has prevented him from making a previous application to the legislature: RESOLVED, therefore, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby authorized to examine and liquidate the claim of William Amos, deceased, against the estate of John Hide, of Great-Britain, deceased, upon fair and equitable principles, and that, upon the liquidation thereof, the treasurer of the western shore shall credit the bond of the said William Amos with the amount thereof.

By order, J. WILMER, clk.  
Which was read the first and second time and dissented to.

A petition from Basil Williams and John Crookshanks, of Cæcil county, praying an extension of time for the payment of a debt due by them, as securities of Patrick Hamilton, to the state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Duvall, Mr. Oneale and Mr. Forman, to consider and report thereon.

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