

as a public road, and the landing place aforesaid as a public landing. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Campbell be added to the committee on the petition of Overton Carr.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Oneale, Mr. Crabb and Mr. Campbell, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Hanson M'Pherson, of Charles county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that a law ought to pass, empowering him to collect, by distress and sale, for what balances that may be due him as a deputy collector of the fund tax for the year 1787, and of the fund tax and county levy for the year 1788, and also as a deputy collector for the year 1791. All which is submitted to the honourable house:

By order,

J. WILMER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act in favour of Thomas, James, Baker, and Roger Johnson, and Josias Clapham; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to enlarge the powers of the high court of chancery, was read the second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

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

Mr. T. Ringgold has leave of absence for a few days.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Alexias Smith, of Charles county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find, that the petitioner knew of the deficiency in the quantity of land intended to be sold by the state, and that he never made or returned any certificate of survey, by which an allowance could be made for the deficiency; that a suit was instituted in the general court of the western shore against the petitioner, and prosecuted to judgment, and that the petitioner, to stay further proceedings on the judgment, filed his bill in chancery, and obtained a decree to have a deduction of the price of one hundred and twenty-two acres of land, for which he has a credit on his father's bond, and in the prosecution of which bill in chancery the petitioner expended the sum of £. 16 13 9, for his costs, which he prays an allowance for. Your committee beg leave to submit the above state of facts to the house, and their opinion, that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted. All which is, &c.

By order,

C. WAYMAN, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? Resolved in the affirmative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to confirm an act to prohibit members of congress, or persons in office under the United States, from being eligible as members of the legislature or council, or holding offices in this state, endorsed; "By the senate, November 20, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, November 30, 1792: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ford appeared in the house.

The bill respecting the militia, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Hollingsworth, appeared as follow:

		A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Hollingsworth,	Ewing,	Prall,	Cromwell,	Threlkeld.	5.		
		N E G A T I V E.						
	Campbell,	Frazier,	O'Bryon,	Jarrett,	Jacques,			
	Cockey,	Eccleston, jun.	Barnes,	Hughlett,	Crabb,			
	Sherwood,	Goldsbrough,	Butcher,	Driver,	Oneale,			
	Cox,	Forman,	Hutchings,	Douglafs,	Beall,			
	Gibson,	Clark,	Townsend,	Loockerman,	Bayard,			
	Jones,	Sprigg,	Dennis,	Ott,	Johnson,			
	Dashiell,	Contee,	Purnell,	Swearingen,	Tomlinson.	46.		
	Denwood,	Quynn,	Beatty,					

So it was determined in the negative.

Sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. Campbell has leave of absence till Monday next.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Jones and Mr. Goldsbrough be added to the committee on the petition of William Fitzhugh.

Mr. Hollingsworth, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act, entitled, An act to empower the justices of Cæcil county to streighten and amend