

NEGATIVE.						
McIntire,	Plowden,	Brooke,	Sherrwood,	Clark,	Townsend,	Oncie,
J. Ringgold,	Chapman,	Jones,	Denwood,	Sprigg,	Dennis,	Wootton,
H. Worthington,	M. Pheasant,	Denwood,	Denwood,	Contee,	Dorley,	Bayard,
J. Worthington,	Hawkins,	Bowie,	Duval,	Ott,	Johnston,	26.
Brogden,	Campbell,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The order of the day is postponed till to-morrow.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of George Tull, of Somerset county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find that he possesses, in right of his wife, a tract of land called Goodluck, granted to John Records on the 14th day of November, 1740, also a part of another tract, being a resurvey on a former, granted to Thomas Records on the 24th of June, 1764, both of which tracts, containing together 247 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres, have been quietly possessed by the family ever since the surveys were respectively made.

They further find, that Adam Carlisle, a British subject, claimed right to a tract in the neighbourhood, called Tower Hill, the bounds of which he had, at several times, endeavoured to establish, without effect, which appears by papers accompanying the report; that neither the aforesaid Adam Carlisle, or any person under him, have possessed any part of the aforesaid tracts granted to John and Thomas Records, at any time within the reach of the memory of man.

They also find, that the aforesaid tract, called Tower Hill, was sold as confiscated property, by the intendant of the revenue, to John Anderson, of Somerset county, who gave information to the intendant that it was British property; that an action of trespass and ejectment has been instituted in the general court of the eastern shore by the attorney-general, on behalf of the state, against the petitioner, for the recovery of the aforesaid tract called Tower Hill, which is supposed to be partly, or wholly, covered by the aforesaid tracts called Goodluck, and another small tract called Venture, the property of the petitioner; that in consequence of the ejectment brought as aforesaid, it became necessary to locate not only the lands in question, but many other adjoining tracts, the expence whereof, comparatively with the value of the land, is enormous; that should the state succeed in the suit, about 100 acres of land, of an inferior quality, will be recovered, and the costs would ruin the petitioner, who has a numerous family, and, if he should obtain a verdict in his favour, as the state pays no costs, his unavoidable expences will be nearly equal to the value of the land; that from the peculiar situation of the petitioner, he is strongly recommended by numerous and respectable citizens, as a proper object for the clemency of the legislature; wherefore the committee are of opinion that the prayer of his petition ought to be granted; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the attorney-general, be and he is hereby directed to discontinue the action of trespass and ejectment, now depending in the general court of the eastern shore, and which was instituted on behalf of the state against George Tull, for the recovery of a tract of land called Tower Hill, as confiscated property formerly belonging to Adam Carlisle, a British subject; provided, that the state pay no costs incurred by the said George Tull; and provided also, that John Anderson, who purchased the said land of the late intendant of the revenue, be at liberty to prosecute the said suit at his own expence, if he should think proper, and shall make his election at the next term, and, in case he shall not elect to prosecute the suit aforesaid, that the treasurer of the western shore shall deliver to the said John Anderson, his bond passed for the said tract of land, called Tower Hill, to the state of Maryland.

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to extend the time for the late sheriff and collector of Queen-Anne's county to complete his collection, endorsed; "By the senate, December 6, 1792: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, December 6, 1792: Read the second time by especial order and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the 3d line from the bottom, after the word "collect," strike out the words "his said," and insert the word "all," and after the word "balances," in the same line, insert the words "due to him as sheriff and collector."

Which were read, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition, and counter petition, of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, respecting the opening a road from the west side of Frederick-town, to intersect the present road from said town to Hagar's-town, in Washington county, near Peter Bembridge's, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the prayer of the petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order,

C. WAYMAN, clk.

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

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

FRIDAY,