

Mr. Nelson, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Hughes, Mr. Jarrett, Mr. Barnes and Mr. Hayward, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from Gavin Hamilton Smith, of Calvert county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Thomas Loockerman, a delegate returned for Caroline 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 his seat in the house.

A petition from William Francis Lewis, of Calvert county, stating, that he served nine months as a soldier during the late war, and praying compensation, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Mackall, Mr. Cox and Mr. T. Wootton, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. James Butcher, a delegate returned for Queen-Anne's 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 his seat in the house.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to extend to certain foreigners the benefit of an act passed November session, 1792, entitled, An act for the relief of certain foreigners who have settled within this state; further supplementary to the act for naturalization. ORDERED, That Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Tilghman and Mr. Sprigg, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, November 13, 1793.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the upper part of Allegany county, praying commissioners may be appointed to lay out two roads leading from a part of the country settling fast, to the head back navigation of Patowmack; where they wish to establish their immediate commerce, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Johnson, Mr. Simkins and Mr. Bayard, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying an act may pass, empowering Baltimore county court to appoint commissioners and overseers to repair the public roads at the expense of the said county, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill relating to public roads in this state.

A petition from Edward Allison Watts; of Baltimore county, praying to be released from a purchase made of the state, which he is unable to pay, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Clark, Mr. Kerr and Mr. W. Thomas, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Francis Lewis, have taken the same into their consideration, and believing the facts therein stated to be true, are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and beg leave to recommend the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore shall and he is hereby authorized to pay out of any unappropriated money which may be in the treasury, unto William Francis Lewis, of Calvert county, the sum of sixteen pounds seventeen shillings and six-pence, as a compensation for his services during his detention in the army, as a soldier of the sixth Maryland regiment.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Edward Downes, of Queen-Anne's county, stating, that he acted as register to the free school of said county, and that he has a claim against the same, and praying the visitors thereof may be empowered to discharge the same, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Seney, Mr. Duvall and Mr. Jones, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore-town, praying an act may pass to stop up that part of Temple-street which is situated on the north side of Pitt-street, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Ridgely, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from William Lowry, and Larkin Thorndike and James Farrar, of Baltimore-town, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A memorial from James Winchester, of Baltimore-town, agent and attorney for Hugh Hill, of Massachusetts, counter to the petition of Thorndike and Farrar, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on said petition.

RESOLVED, That the Printer of the state be requested to print one hundred copies of the law of congress, entitled, An act more effectually to provide for the national defence, by establishing an uniform militia throughout the United States, for the use of the members of this general assembly.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Frederick and Baltimore counties, praying an act may pass, empowering commissioners to lay out and open a road, of the width of thirty-three feet, on the best and straightest direction that the nature of the ground will admit, from the turnpike road at or near Benjamin Bennett's, through a part of Baltimore and Frederick counties to Lawrence and Dorsey's mill, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Beatty, Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. and Mr. Bayly, to consider and report thereon.

A petition