

The report on the petition of John L. Elbert and Samuel Y. Keene, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.

A memorial and petition from the inhabitants of French Saint-Domingo, and a memorial from the committee of Baltimore-town for the relief of the said inhabitants of French Saint-Domingo, stating, that the funds obtained for the relief of those unfortunate people are nearly exhausted, and praying the legislature would take measures to alleviate their calamities, were preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Bowie, Mr. Bayly, Mr. Sprigg, Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Nelson, to consider and report thereon.

The bill for valuing the lot or lots of ground in Upper-Marlborough, in Prince-George's county, on which the inspecting houses stand, and for paying the proprietor the value thereof, was read the second time by especial order, and passed.

A petition from Stephen Yoe, of Queen-Anne's county, an invalid soldier, praying compensation for his services, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Seney, Mr. R. Bond and Mr. Hollingsworth, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to establish a road from the Turkey Foot road towards Braddock's road, as a public road, and for other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first and second time by especial order, and passed.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Eleanor Walker, in behalf of herself and children, having taken the same into consideration, do report, that your committee are of opinion, that the chancellor of the state of Maryland is vested, under the existing laws of this state, with powers to grant relief in this and like cases; that therefore legislative interposition is not necessary, and the prayer of the petitioner ought not to be granted. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Samuel and Daniel Hughes, of Washington county, stating, that there are large bodies of vacant lands on the South Mountain, which would be serviceable to them on account of the timber for the support of their iron-works, but that they are useless to any other persons, being too barren and stoney for cultivation, and praying that a law may pass, empowering some person or persons, on viewing the said lands, to sell them to them, the said Samuel and Daniel Hughes, for their real value, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Van Lear, Mr. Clark and Mr. Johnson, to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 15, 1793.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate having a sufficient number of members to form a house, are ready to proceed to the business of the session, and propose to go into the choice of a governor immediately, and have appointed Richard T. Lowndes and John Campbell, Esquires, to join the members of your house in the examination of the ballot boxes. Thomas Sim Lee, Esquire, is put in nomination by this house.

By order,

W. PERRY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time. ORDERED, That Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Dennis and Mr. Lloyd, be a committee to prepare an answer thereto.

Mr. Lloyd, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1793.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house is ready to go into the election of a governor immediately, as proposed by your message, and have appointed Mr. Dennis and Mr. Sprigg to join the gentlemen named by the senate to examine the ballots. No gentleman is nominated by this house in addition to Thomas Sim Lee, Esquire.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read, and sent to the senate by the clerk, with the following message:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1793.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house have appointed from nine o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon for its sitting, every day this session, for the dispatch of public business.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

The house having qualified, agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the choice of a governor, and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time reported, that the honourable Thomas Sim Lee, Esquire, was unanimously elected. Whereupon,

RESOLVED, That the honourable Thomas Sim Lee, Esquire, be, and he is hereby declared to be, governor of the state of Maryland.

The following message being prepared, was sent to the senate by the clerk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, NOVEMBER 15, 1793.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

WE propose to go into the election of a council to the governor immediately, and have appointed Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Goldsborough to join any gentlemen who may be named by the senate to examine