

a road from Thomas Underhill's mills, on Deer creek, to intersect a road on the temporary line that leads to Peach-Bottom ferry, have not laid out the said road in a manner that tended to the utility of that part of the county it was designed to benefit, and praying that a law may pass, appointing new commissioners to lay out the said road, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Crabb, Mr. Driver and Mr. Jarrett, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Whittington, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to establish the road leading from Crooked Run, in Worcester county, to Saint-Martin's Landing, as a public road; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report on the petition of the associate justices, and the justices of the peace, of Dorchester county, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Gordon, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Daffin, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from William Benfon, of Caroline county, praying that an act may pass, enabling the justices of Caroline county to levy on the assessable property of said county the sum of £. 595 6 6, to enable him to complete the court-house, which he had begun in pursuance of a contract entered into by the commissioners appointed by an act of 1790, for the removal of the seat of justice at Melvill's warehouse to Pig-Point, in said county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Driver, Mr. Douglass, Mr. Loockerman, Mr. Gordon and Mr. Dennis, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to withdraw the funds from Washington and Saint-John's colleges, and to apply the same to the benefit and use of the several counties of the state therein mentioned? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Frazier, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	W. Thomas,	Howard,	Gordon,	Dennis,	Prall,	Hughes,
	Ford,	Cox,	Hollingsworth,	Houlton,	Montgomery,	Clark,
	Kilgour,	Kerr,	R. Bond,	Purnell,	Douglass,	Oneale,
	Mackall,	Hayward,	Ward,	Beatty,	Loockerman,	R. Wootton,
	Brooke,	Jones,	Ewing,	Bayly,	Driver,	Bayard,
	J. Thomas,	Denwood,	Seney,	Jamison,	Swearingen,	Tomlinson,
	Ridgely,	King,	Whittington,	Jarrett,	Van Lear,	Simkins.
	T. Worthington,	Frazier,				44.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messrs.	Plater,	S. Wilmer,	Brogden,	Hawkins,	Quynn,	M'Mechen,
	J. Wilmer,	Harwood,	Freeland,	Digges,	Duvall,	Threlkeld,
	Tilghman,	J. Worthington,	M'Pherfon,	Goldsbrough,	Barnes,	Johnson.
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED, That Mr. Dennis, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Whittington and Mr. Kerr, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Stephen Yoe, of Queen-Anne's county, beg leave to report, that by an act of congress, passed in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, entitled, An act providing for the payment of the invalid pensioners of the United States, it was enacted, that the military pensions granted and paid by the states respectively, in pursuance of the acts of the United States in congress assembled, to the invalids who were wounded and disabled during the late war, should be continued and paid by the United States from the fourth March, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, for the space of one year, under such regulations as the president of the United States might direct; that notwithstanding this law, the petitioner received his pension as an invalid from the state of Maryland up to the thirteenth of October, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, but has never received the arrears of his pension arising due between the last mentioned day and the fourth March, seventeen hundred and ninety, either from this state or the United States; that the committee suppose the reasons of his not being paid by the general government up to the fourth March, seventeen hundred and ninety, to be, that he was not placed upon the invalid list, and they apprehend, that on account of this omission he cannot now be relieved with a view to these arrears under any existing law of congress. If the petitioner had been placed upon the list transmitted to general Williams, paymaster of invalid pensions up to March, seventeen hundred and ninety, as he was upon the list transmitted to Mr. Thomas Harwood, the subsequent paymaster, the committee presume that these arrears could at this time be obtained from the continent, but as this was not the case, there appears to be no mode pointed out by the acts of the legislature of the United States in which they can be received. The committee beg leave to represent, that the petitioner has every possible claim to the compassion of the general assembly; that while age, blindness, bodily infirmities, render him unable to bring his demand before congress, they operate as powerful inducements with the committee to recommend him to the house as deserving the relief he prays for; they therefore report it as their opinion, that a resolution ought to pass, authorising the treasurer of the western shore to pay to Stephen Yoe, the petitioner, the arrears of his military pension as an invalid, from the thirteenth October, seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, to the fourth March, seventeen hundred and ninety, at the rate of five dollars per month. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Philemon Burgefs, of Montgomery county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. M'Mechen, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

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