

cutive of this state, by their prompt and decisive conduct in aid of the general government, and suppression of the violent and alarming proceedings and disturbances within this state, have deserved well of their country, and that the advance of arms made by them to meet the exigencies of the union and this state, although not strictly within the limits of their authority, was highly expedient and proper. The committee therefore submit the following resolution to this house.

RESOLVED, That the prompt and decisive conduct of the executive, in compliance with the requisitions of the general government, in calling out the militia, and in suppression of the violent and alarming proceedings and disturbances in this state, merits the approbation of the general assembly; and that the advance of arms made by them to meet the exigencies of the general government, and secure the tranquillity of this state, although not strictly within the constitutional limits of their authority, was highly expedient and necessary; therefore their conduct is hereby approved of and ratified.

All which is submitted to the house.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the communication from the executive of this state of the sixth instant, respecting the bank stock, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the zeal and attention of the executive towards the attainment of this state's right, in making the claim to the bank stock an object of negotiation, merits the approbation of the legislature; and they submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the conduct of the executive in their endeavours to introduce this state's claim to certain stock in the bank of England as a subject of Mr. Jay's negotiation, manifests a laudable zeal and attention to the true interest of the state, and merits the approbation of the general assembly.

By order,

J. W. KING, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That the committee to whom were referred the communications from the executive of the seventh instant, respecting the militia, be discharged from any further consideration of the said communications, and that the same be referred to the committee appointed to bring in a supplement to the act, entitled, An act to regulate and discipline the militia of this state.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Tubman Lowes, of Somerset county, report, that they have examined the certificate and affidavit accompanying the petition, and are of opinion the prayer of same ought to be granted; they beg leave to report the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer issue a certificate to Tubman Lowes to the amount of _____ pounds, for the use of, and for damages done the houses and property of, the said Lowes, by the militia of this state in the year 1781:

All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That the clerk of the council be requested to lay before this house, as speedily as possible, the proceedings of the council since qualifying in office under the appointment of last session.

The report on the petition of Mary La Combe, was read the second time and concurred with.

A petition from James Greenleaf, and others, stating, that they have formed themselves into a company, under the title, name and firm, of The Washington Society, and praying they may be incorporated with such powers and privileges as may be thought reasonable, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Sprigg, Mr. Bowie, Mr. Parnham, Mr. Montgomery and Mr. Ridgely, of Wm. to consider and report thereon.

A petition from James Greenleaf, and others, stating, that they have formed themselves into a company, under the title, name and firm, of The Columbian Society, and praying they may be incorporated with such powers and privileges as may be thought reasonable, was preferred, read, and referred to the above committee on the petition of James Greenleaf, and others, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Hanson, and others, of Charles county, stating, that they are guardians to the infant children of Walter Hanson, of John, deceased, and praying that they may be authorized to dispose of the land of said minors, and lay out the money arising from the sale thereof in lands in the state of Georgia, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Parnham, Mr. Key and Mr. Digges, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Alexander Smith, of Virginia, praying an act may pass to enable him to bring certain slaves into this state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Lynn, Mr. J. Johnson and Mr. Goldsborough, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to enlarge the powers of the justices of the orphans courts in certain cases. ORDERED, That Mr. Key, Mr. Parnham, Mr. Digges, Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Ridgely, of William, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Wincheffer, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act respecting the continuance of civil suits in the general and county courts; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Carroll has leave of absence.