

A petition from Charles Steuart and James M'Culloch, surviving executors of James Dick, stating, that the said James Dick, and a certain Anthony Stewart, were joint partners in trade, and that they agreed to take up a quantity of land, and that warrants were obtained in the name of the said Stewart, and certificates returned into the land-office, and the caution money paid by the said partnership, and praying an act may pass, vesting the title of the said lands in the said executors, for the purpose of paying the debts of the deceased, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridout, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Hall, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Key, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Charles and William Steuart, executors of George Steuart, praying the chancellor may be authorized, as judge of the land-office, to grant new warrants to the petitioners in lieu of warrants heretofore granted to the deceased, which were not properly executed, was preferred, read, and referred to the above committee on the petition of Steuart and M'Culloch, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Speaker laid before the house the following report:

To the HONOURABLE the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND.

GENTLEMEN,

FOR the information of the legislature, the auditor begs leave to lay before your honours the following accounts, viz.

No. 1, Is the western shore treasurer's account from the first of November, 1793, to the first of November, 1794, as charged on the books of his office, with the balances remaining in the treasury, and appropriation of the specie.

No. 2, Is an estimate of the state debt to the first of November, 1794, by which there appears to be a balance of fifty thousand four hundred and ninety-four pounds seventeen shillings and ten-pence farthing currency, and five hundred and thirty thousand nine hundred and thirty-three dollars and six cents in funded stock of the United States, to the credit of the state, exclusive of the stock in the bank of England.

He has the honour to be, Gentlemen, with great respect, your obedient humble servant,

Auditor's office, November 25, 1794.

ROBERT DENNY, Auditor.

Which was read, and referred to the committee appointed on the state agent's report, to consider and report thereon.

ORDERED, That the printer to the state strike immediately, for the use of the members of the general assembly, one hundred copies of the said report, with the general account therewith sent.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of the states of Maryland and Pennsylvania, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the prayer of the petition ought to be granted, the said Israel Reynolds giving bond, with approved security, to the justices of the levy court for Cæcil county, for the due application of the monies raised by the said lottery for the establishment of a school at West Nottingham, in Cæcil county aforesaid. All which your committee submits to the honourable house.

By order,

J. O'BRYON, 3d. clk.

Which was read.

A petition from William Amos, of Harford county, stating, that he bonded for confiscated property to the state, which property his father had contracted for, and paid a part of the purchase money, but that he could not obtain a credit with the auditor for the same, and praying relief in the premises, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Oneale, Mr. Martin, Mr. Lynn and Mr. Gale, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from William Simmons, senior, of Anne-Arundel county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Talbot, Queen-Anne's and Caroline counties, praying a sum of money may be levied on the said counties for erecting a bridge, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Douglass, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Earle, Mr. Gordon and Mr. J. Clarke, to consider and report thereon.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorize a lottery for completing a methodist meeting-house at Rieffer's-town, in Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the senate, November 19, 1794: "Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk.

"By the senate, November 25, 1794: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order,

N. PINKNEY, clk."

The amendments to the bill to empower Micajah Merryman, father and guardian of Sarah Merryman, Moses Merryman, Eleanor Merryman, Mary Merryman and Micajah Merryman, infants, to demise the estate therein mentioned, were read the second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill to abolish part of the fifty-sixth section of the constitution and form of government? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow:

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Messieurs	Dorsey,	Merryman,	Frazier,	Wootton,	Wilson,	Douglass,	
	Hopewell,	H. Johnson,	Martin,	T. Clarke,	Baer,	Winch ester,	
	Brome,	Harwood,	Gordon,	Earle,	J. Bond,	Hughes,	
	Digges,	Gale,	Craig,	Dennis,	M'Comas,	J. Johnson,	
	Ridgely,	Nutter,	R. Bond,	Whittington,	Montgomery,	Cresap,	
	Ridgely, of Wm.	Waggaman,	Miller,	Robins,	Mitchell,	Lynn.	
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