

then clerk of Cæcil county, and that the said Williams never paid the same into the treasury, and praying relief in the premises, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Oneale and Mr. Barroll, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Brother, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to lay out and open a public waggon road from Hughes's coaling ground, on the South Mountain, to intersect the road, at or near Joseph Staley's, leading to Frederick-town; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hollingsworth, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill relating to public roads in this state, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned, (as amended;) which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the said bill have a second reading on Wednesday next.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to alter the public road leading from Miles river ferry through the land of Jacob Loockerman, of Talbot county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1795: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, H. WARFIELD, clk.  
"By the senate, December 7, 1795: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, H. WARFIELD, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the 11th line of the 2d page, after the word "road," add "and before the same is opened." In the 12th line of the 2d page, after the word "out," add "and opened." Which were read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The report on the memorial of the president and directors of the bank of Columbia, was read the second time; concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Pinkney, Mr. Key and Mr. Oneale, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. S. Frazier, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Hodson, late sheriff and collector of Dorchester county, report, that it appears by said petition, that large balances are due the petitioner for taxes and officers fees, and that the prayer of said petitioner is therefore just, and ought to be granted, under such restrictions as the house may judge meet and proper.—All which is submitted.

Which was read. By order, J. W. KING, clk.

Mr. Key, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of the widow and administratrix, and the children and heirs of John Davidson, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, have taken the same into consideration, and report, that the prayer of the same is reasonable, and are of opinion that leave should be granted to bring in a bill to carry the object of the said petition into effect.

Which was read. By order, J. HARWOOD, clk.

The bill to confirm an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, entitled, An act for altering the twenty-third article of the constitution and form of government of this state, and such parts of the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth articles of the same as respect the time of choosing the governor, and the council to the governor, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.			N E G A T I V E.		
Messieurs	Hollingsworth,	Davis,	J. Johnson,	Lynn,	Beall.
W. Thomas,	Mackall,	N E G A T I V E.	R. Bond,	Corbin,	Driver,
Hopewell,	Brome,	Martin,	Ward,	Bacr,	Clarke,
Neale,	Horreil,	Sherwood,	Calvert,	Brother,	M'Mechen,
Spencer,	Chesley,	Gale,	Quynn,	Beatty,	Barnes,
Barroll,	Parnham,	Carroll,	Key,	Sariver,	Jacques,
Wilmer,	M'Pherson,	Nutter,	O'Bryon,	J. Bond,	Brooke,
Pinkney,	T. Worthington,	Hyland,	Brown,	Montgomery,	Burgess,
J. Worthington,	Ridgely, of Wm. Steele,	S. Frazier,	C. Frazier,	M'Comas,	Oneale,
Ridout,	Merryman,	Robertson,	Dennis,	Mitchell,	Reintzel,
Hall,	Roberts,	Gilpin,	Whittington,	Downes,	Cresap.

So it was determined in the negative.

Mr. Lloyd, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to erect a company, as a body corporate, for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the bay of Chesapeake and the river Delaware; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the said bill have a second reading on Monday next.

Mr. Barroll, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report: THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Patterson, James Steele, James Neisbit, Robert Neisbitt, John Lyon, Hugh Lyon and John Sterett, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find, that the lands whereon the petitioners reside were sold in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-four, by the late intendant of the revenue, to James Gordon Heron, of Cæcil county, as confiscated property, and that the said James Gordon Heron, after his purchase from the intendant, discovered that the lands were included in Susquehanna manor, otherwise called New Connaught manor, and that he has since been released from the purchase by the executive of this state.