

A petition from Richard Chew, of Anne-Arundel county, stating, that judgments have been obtained against him for property purchased of the state, and praying an extension of the time, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. J. C. Thomas, Mr. Quynn and Mr. Key, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. J. Buchanan, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act directing the manner of suing out attachments in this state, and limiting the extent of them, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. J. Brown, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorising the justices of the levy court in Queen-Anne's county to levy a sum of money for the building a prison in the said county, and to regulate the same; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the German evangelical reformed church in the city of Baltimore, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying an act may pass to open and lay out a road from John Neale's lane to that part of Deer creek known by the name of Montgomery ford, being near the mouth of Little creek, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on a petition of a similar nature.

A petition from Thomas Shewell, of Harford county, praying a sum of money may be levied on Harford county for his support, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Jarrett, Mr. Bond and Mr. Montgomery, to consider and report thereon.

The order of the day for taking into consideration the petition of John Eager Howard, and others, is postponed until Monday next.

A petition from Daniel Powell Cox, late sheriff and collector of Talbot county, praying a further time to complete his collection, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Martin, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Jones, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Hyland, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Polk, senior, of Somerset county, report, that they have examined into the subject matter of the said petition, and from a particular knowledge of the facts therein stated, are of opinion the petitioner's claim to a compensation is founded on the immutable laws of justice, and recommend the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the said William Polk, senior, or order, the sum of seventy pounds current money, to compensate him for negro Dick, which was found guilty of felony, and made his escape before the court passed sentence, by means whereof the said negro was lost.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Hutchings, of Baltimore county, report, that it appears from the affidavit of the said Hutchings, that he was compelled, in the year 1779, to deliver 868 bushels of wheat to a public agent for public use; that he never received compensation therefor until the 19th March, 1781, when he received from John Baxley, senior, the sum of £. 675 15 continental money, as appears by the certificate of said Baxley; that the said Hutchings, on the same day, lodged the said £. 675 15 in the treasury of Maryland, under an act passed at October session, 1780, to discharge a debt due from said Hutchings to a certain Thomas Bladen, then a British subject; that the said money is now remaining in the treasury, and has not been applied to the debt due said Bladen. The committee, after taking the above facts into their consideration, are of opinion that the said Hutchings is entitled to a reasonable specie price for his wheat, delivered as above mentioned, and that the value of the continental money paid in March, 1781, should be deducted therefrom, on the balance then remaining that interest should be received by said Hutchings until the debt is discharged by the state of Maryland.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. R. Magruder, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Jemima Thompson, of Montgomery county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the prayer thereof ought to be granted.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Anne Smyth, of Kent county, praying compensation for a negro man who was committed to jail for felony, and from being heavy ironed lost one of his legs, whereby he became useless, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Comegys, Mr. Angier and Mr. Parker, to consider and report thereon.

A representation from the clerk, sheriff and register of wills, of Kent county, praying an increase of fees, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill for the regulation of officers and attorneys fees.

A petition from David Ross and Richard Cramphin, of Prince-George's county, praying that the state would release to them, as executors of William Sydebotham, one moiety of a tract of land called Doncaster, confiscated as British property, which moiety was not liable to confiscation, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. J. Buchanan, Mr. Addison, Mr. Key, Mr. Swailes and Mr. Quynn, to consider and report thereon.