

Which was read, and referred to Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Key and Mr. Jarrett, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Duckett, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Mary Sweeny and William King, of Prince-George's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The report on the petition of James Calhoun, and others, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That the committee on the said petition prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, ORDERED, That the bill to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government which prevent persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath from enjoying the rights and privileges of free citizens, be committed for amendment.

The bill respecting the poor-house of Baltimore county, was read the second time, and passed. Mr. Matthews, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the bill to alter such parts of the bill of rights, the constitution and the form of government, as prevent persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath from enjoying the rights and privileges of free citizens, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill, entitled, An act to establish levy courts in the several counties of this state, endorsed; "By the senate, January 17, 1798: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk.
"By the senate, January 17, 1798: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk."
Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T H U R S D A Y, January 18, 1798.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

ORDERED, That Mr. Parnham and Mr. Wilson be added to the committee of conference on the bank stock.

Mr. Thomas, of Frederick, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Frederick county, stating, that by a law which passed at November session, 1795, for opening a road through the said county, which road it was intended should have particular calls, but from some cause was neglected, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the said petitioners is just and reasonable, and ought to be granted.

By order, J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Smith, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to encourage the establishing of a hospital for the relief of indigent sick persons, and for the reception and care of lunatics; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the order of this house directing the committee of claims to close the journal of accounts be rescinded.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Dennis Griffith, of Anne-Arundel county, report, that they have taken the same under their consideration, and find, from a statement made by him, that his expences in making and striking off his map of the state of Maryland amount to near four thousand pounds current money, and that he has not been able to discharge the same by the sale of his maps, but remains largely indebted, and much involved in his circumstances. The committee are of opinion the map of said Griffith is a work of merit, ornament and utility, and that he deserves legislative aid and encouragement; they therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore, on the application of Dennis Griffith, deliver up to the said Griffith his bond or bonds given to the state of Maryland for the payment of one thousand pounds, loaned by this state to assist him to complete his map of Maryland, and the said treasurer is hereby required and authorized to deliver the same.

All which is submitted.

By order, A. GOLDRER, clk.

Which was read.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorized and empowered to examine and liquidate all claims which may be produced to them against the estate of the late Samuel Hyde, or John and Samuel Hyde, of Great Britain, on or before the first day of July next, and report the same, with their opinion thereon, together with the vouchers on which the same is founded, to the next general assembly, and also to report the amount of the property of the said Hydes, or either of them, which has been confiscated and sold by the state.

The bill to encourage the establishing of a hospital for the relief of indigent sick persons, and for the reception and care of lunatics, was read the second time by especial order, and passed.

The bill for the relief of Mary Sweeny and William King, of Prince-George's county, was read the second time by especial order, and passed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the resolutions in favour of Frederick Green, Thomas Latimer, Anne Latimer, Sarah Jones and John Pusey, and the resolution respecting the government-house, severally