

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November, 1798.

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RESOLVED, That this house will to-morrow again resolve itself into a committee of the whole on the said bill.

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

T H U R S D A Y, December 20, 1798.

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

A petition from Samuel Dorsey, of Baltimore county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Nicholson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report: **THE** committee to whom was referred the petition of David Lindsay, of Queen-Anne's county, report, that they have examined the same, and find the facts therein stated to be true, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable; and ought to be granted; they therefore recommend to the house the following resolution, viz.

RESOLVED, That execution upon the judgment obtained at the suit of the state of Maryland against David Lindsay, one of the securities of Thomas O'Bryon, a former sheriff of Queen-Anne's county, be stayed until the first day of January, eighteen hundred; and that upon the said David Lindsay paying the treasurer of the eastern shore, on or before the said day, one half of the principal sum of said judgment, with an interest of six per cent. upon the amount of said principal sum from the first day of November, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, and the costs of suit, a further stay of execution for the balance of said judgment be allowed until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and one; and that upon the said David Lindsay paying the said one half part, with interest as aforesaid, and costs, on the said first day of January, eighteen hundred, as also the one other half part of said principal sum on or before the aforesaid first day of January, eighteen hundred and one, with six per cent. interest thereon from the said first day of January, eighteen hundred, the said judgment shall be deemed satisfied; but if the said David Lindsay shall neglect to pay the said sums, with interest and cost as aforesaid, then execution may issue, without scire facias, for the sum that may be due upon said judgment.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Duckett, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report, as amended:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Ferguson, of Prince-George's county, report, they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion the claim ought to be referred to the decision of the chancellor; they therefore submit the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, That the chancellor be and he is hereby authorized and empowered, in a summary way, to hear and determine the claim of said William Ferguson, on account of an alleged deficiency of land sold him by Clement Holliday, Esquire, one of the commissioners for the sale of confiscated property, and that the chancellor determine what relief (if any) the said Ferguson is entitled to.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the said Ferguson, or his order, in case of a decree in his favour, the amount of the same according to the terms thereof.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Henry Ridgely, chief justice of the third district, praying compensation for his services, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Montgomery, Mr. A. Buchanan, Mr. Key, Mr. Carroll and Mr. Winder, to consider and report thereon.

RESOLVED, That William Kilty be and he is hereby appointed to revise the acts of assembly of this state, and to prepare an edition thereof, including all public acts now in force, in the order in which they passed, from the year sixteen hundred and ninety-two till the end of the present session, inclusive, inserting in the same order, the titles of all private acts, and of such public acts as are repealed, or have ceased to have any operation, the time of such repeal, or expiring of each law, to be noted in the margin; as also the continuances of such acts as were originally passed for a limited time; to be accompanied with a full and complete index to the whole, compiled in the manner of Bacon's edition of the laws of Maryland, or in that of the Pennsylvania or Virginia laws, which have been sent to this state, or in such method compounded of those, or other precedents, as the said William Kilty shall deem best adapted to the purpose; that the said edition be completed within the ensuing year, so as to be laid before this general assembly at their next annual meeting; and that such compensation be allowed to the said William Kilty, as the work, and the manner in which it may be performed, shall appear to merit.

RESOLVED, That the said William Kilty include in said collection the original charter to and Baltimore, the bill of rights, the constitution of this state, as originally adopted by the convention, together with the several alterations that have been made to the said constitution by acts of assembly, since that period.

RESOLVED, That Frederick Green, printer to the state, be directed to print, and procure to be bound two hundred copies of the said edition of the laws, under the direction of the said William Kilty; and that the governor and council be empowered, by order on the treasury, to advance to the printer, out of any unappropriated money, such sum or sums as may be necessary for the purpose.

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