

The committee beg leave to state, that owing to a change of the commissioners of the tax, and from the opinion entertained by the former commissioners their powers were totally suspended by the new appointment, they delayed coming to a settlement with the memorialist within the time allowed him for the payment of the money to the state, but it appears to the committee the neglect or misconduct of the public officers of the state ought not to justify the retaining of money which should never have been paid; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Robert Amos, collector of the public tax in Harford county for the years seventeen hundred and eighty-three and seventeen hundred and eighty-five, the sum of two hundred and twenty-nine pounds thirteen shillings and eleven-pence, with interest from the time he closed the account against him, together with ten per cent. on the said two hundred and twenty-nine pounds thirteen shillings and eleven-pence.

By order,

S. MAYNARD, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. J. Buchanan, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act respecting public roads in Washington county; which was read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill for the relief of Henry Clarke, senior, of Montgomery county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James Lytle, of Harford county, report, that the facts therein stated are true, and are of opinion that relief ought to be granted. The committee further find, that the assignment from Nathaniel Ramsay to the petitioner was made on the ninth day of May, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, and that interest on the deficiency ought to be paid to the said Lytle only from that day; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore he and he is hereby authorized to pay to James Lytle, of Harford county, or his order, the sum of fifty-four pounds, being the value of nine acres, the deficiency in a certain purchase of confiscated property, sold by the commissioners, together with an interest of six per cent. on that sum from the ninth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom were referred the resolutions of the legislature of Kentucky report, that they have taken the same under their consideration, and are of opinion that the said resolutions contain sentiments and opinions unwarranted by the constitution of the United States, and the several acts of congress to which they refer; that said resolutions are highly improper, and ought not to be acceded to by the legislature of this state. All which is submitted to the house.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

ORDERED, That the printer to the state strike one hundred copies of the said report for the use of the general assembly, and that the same have a second reading on Friday next.

Mr. Winder, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A further additional supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act for quieting possessions, enrolling conveyances, and securing the estates of purchasers; which was read the first and second time by especial order, and passed.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act to aid conveyances of land improperly enrolled, and for other purposes. **ORDERED**, That Mr. Winder, Mr. Jones and Mr. Duckett, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. E. K. Wilson and Mr. Hughlett have leave of absence.

The report on the petition of Thomas Contee, executor of Jane Contee, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.

The report on the petition of Catharine Bowman and Daniel Bowman, of Washington county, was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

ORDERED, That the committee appointed on the said petition prepare and bring in the same. The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole on the bill for amending, and reducing into system, the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, and the rights of orphan and other representatives of deceased persons. Mr. Barroll took the chair of the committee; after some time spent therein, the speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Barroll reported, that the committee had taken the said bill into consideration, and made sundry amendments thereto, which he delivered in at the clerk's table.

The bill was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the printer to the state strike one hundred copies of the amendments reported.

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

THURS.