

ington at or near Frederick-town, in Frederick county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that it would not be expedient to heighten the county tax of said county at this time, in as much as the same is already burthensome to many of the good citizens thereof; your committee are therefore of opinion that the petitioners ought to have leave to withdraw their petition for the present. All which is submitted.

By order,

D. C. HOPPER, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

A petition from Philip Reed, of Kent county, stating that there is a balance due him from the state, and praying relief in the premises, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hatcheson, Mr. A. Stuart, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Goldsborough and Mr. Dickson, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of James B. Robins, of Worcester county, report, that they have considered the same, and are of opinion that the petitioner is entitled to relief, but in as much as his case is of a general nature, your committee think that it would be improper to pass a special law meeting his case, but that a general law ought to pass embracing all similar cases; they therefore report it as their opinion, that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for enlarging the powers of the high court of chancery.

By order,

A. GOLDER, clk.

Which was read the first and 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.

A petition from Thomas Poteet, of John, of Harford county, praying that the levy court of said county may be authorised to levy on the assessable property thereof a balance due him from the county aforesaid, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Lytle and Mr. Forwood, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Thomas Amos, of Harford county, praying a resolution may pass authorising the chancellor to grant him a patent for a certain tract of land, which he purchased of the executors of William Amos, deceased, on his paying the caution money therefor, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Montgomery, Mr. E. Davis and Mr. Forwood, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Long and Blanch Long, of Harford county, praying that an act may pass authorising the levy court of said county to levy on the assessable property thereof a sum of money for their support out of the poor-house, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Lytle and Mr. Forwood, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A further additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the enlargement of the powers of the high court of chancery; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On the second reading of the bill to enlarge the powers of the governor and council respecting the debts due to this state, and for other purposes, agreeably to the order of the day, the question was put, That the following clause be received as an amendment to the said bill? to wit: "And be it enacted, That the governor and council be and they are hereby directed to call upon the levy courts of Baltimore and Frederick counties, to render an account of all sums of money heretofore levied upon their respective counties for the purpose of repaying public monies loaned to the said counties in virtue of the acts of assembly of November session, seventeen hundred and seventy-three, chapter twenty-six and chapter thirty, and March session, seventeen hundred and seventy-four, chapter twenty-one, and also upon the supervisors of roads of the said counties, and the trustees of the poor of Baltimore county, into whose hands any sum or sums of money so loaned were paid, to render accounts of the monies received by them respectively, and the expenditure of the same; and also to make such further inquiry respecting the monies appearing in the treasury books to be due to the state from the aforesaid counties on account of the loans above mentioned, as they may find necessary to a complete investigation of the subject, and to make report thereon to the next session of the general assembly, in order that proper provisions may be made for obtaining the repayment thereof, in such manner as may be deemed just and right; and the justices of the said levy courts, and the said supervisors of roads and trustees of the poor, are hereby directed to render such account as aforesaid to the said governor and council on their application." The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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Messieurs
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W. Neale,
Angier,
Frisby,

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Blake,
Somervell,
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Dashiell,
Cottman,

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Steele,
Bowie,
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Smith,
Tomlinson.

So it was determined in the negative.