VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS, November Session, 1802.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Philip Reed, of Kent county, or order, the sum of fifty pounds five shillings and one penny.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

The clerk of the senate delivers the following message:

BY THE SENATE, December 11, 1802.

GENTLEMEN,

ON reconsideration of the bill to alter and change the name of John Mills, of Anne, of Dorchester county, to the surname of Crawford, and on consideration of the facts stated in your message of this day, we have passed the bill with the amendments therewith sent.

By order,

The bill to alter and change the name of John Mills, of Anne, of Dorchester county, into the name of Crawford, endorsed; "By the senate, December 11, 1802: Upon reconsideration will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, cik."

And the bill for the relief of Patrick M'Gill, of Frederick county, endorsed; " By the senate, December 8,

1802: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. B. DUCKETT, clk.

"By the senate, December 11, 1802: Read'the second time and will pass with the proposed amendment.

" By order, J. B. DUCKETT, clk."

Which amendment was read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, securities of Thomas Williams, former collector of the taxes for Prince-George's county, report, that they liave examined into the facts set forth in the said petition, and find, that a fieri facias issued against the said Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, returnable to October term, 1790, for £. 15,819 0 8; that the said fieri facias was actually laid, to the amount of £. 14,535 5 0, as appears by the account of Edward L. Wailes, the then sheriff of Prince-George's county; your committee find, by a resolution of November session, 1790, the chancellor was authorised to adjust, or cause to be adjusted, all claims that the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the taxes. in Prince-George's county, have against the state, and liquidate the same in such manner as to him shall appear equitable and right, and upon such liquidation to decree the debt due from the said securities; your committee find, by the decree of the chancellor, dated March the 2d, 1795, in compliance with the said resolution, that at the time the said fieri facias was laid in 1790, there was only £. 1,431 13 1 due from the securities, which sum is f. 13,103 II II less than the fieri facias was laid for; your committee find, by the account and receipt of Edward L. Wailes, the then sheriff of Prince-George's county, that the securities paid poundage fees to the amount of f. 140 14 7 more than what was due on the amount of the debt actually due to the state, which sum your committee find was not credited in the settlement made by the chancellor. Your committee further report, that in their opinion that part of the petition which prays for a commission on the money collected by the securities for the fifteen shillings additional tax for 1781, and the seven shillings and six-penny fund tax of 1782, does not require the interference of the legislature at this time, in as much as several laws and resolutions have heretofore passed in their favour. Your committee are further of opinion, that as the securities of the said Thomas Williams paid f, 140-14-7 poundage fees, in consequence of the fieri facias being issued for a greater sum than what was actually due to the state, and the same not being credited in the settlement made by the chancellor, that the said Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry ought to have the £. 140 14 7, with interest thereon, returned; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay unto Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, or order, the sum of f. 140 14 7, with interest thereon from the 11th day of June, 1792, the same being for poundage fees paid by them as securities for Thomas Williams, former collector of the taxes for Prince-George's county, on a fieri facias issued by the state of Maryland, returnable to October term, 1790, it appearing that by the setthement made by the chancellor, that the fieri facias was issued for a much greater sum than was due to the state, in consequence of which the securities paid the said sum of f_{\bullet} . 140-14-7 more than what was due on the debt

actually owing to the state.

By order,

R. K. WATTS, clk.

Which was read.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Eliza Dukes, of Dorchester county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner, (taking into view the extreme hardship of her case,) is reasonable, and ought to be granted, and that leave ought to be given to bring in a bill, entitled, An all to confirm the last will and testament of John Wheeler, late of Dorchester county, deceased.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.