

county, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill concerning the chancery court, and the bill authorising the proprietors of the French-town and New-Castle water and land stages to open a road therein mentioned, severally endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments;" which amendments were read.

Mr. B. Hodges, 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 have examined 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 the sum of fifteen thousand eight hundred and ninety pounds and eight-pence; that the said fieri facias was actually laid to amount fourteen thousand five hundred and thirty-five pounds five shillings, as appears by an extract from the late general court office, of the schedule returned by Edward Lloyd Wailes, the then sheriff of Prince-George's county. Your committee find, that 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, had against the state, and to liquidate the same in such manner as to him should appear equitable and right, and upon such liquidation to decree the debt due from the said securities. Your committee find, that in pursuance of the said resolution the chancellor did liquidate the claims of the securities against the state, from which it appears, that at the time the said fieri facias was laid in 1790, there was only the sum of fourteen hundred and thirty-one pounds thirteen shillings and one penny due from the said securities, which sum is thirteen thousand one hundred and three pounds eleven shillings and eleven-pence less than the fieri facias was laid for. Your committee find, by the account and receipt of Edward Lloyd Wailes, the then sheriff of Prince-George's county, heretofore exhibited to this house, that the securities paid poundage fees to amount of one hundred and forty pounds fourteen shillings and seven-pence more than what was due to the state, which sum your committee find was not credited in the settlement made by the chancellor. Your committee are of opinion, that as the securities of Thomas Williams paid the sum of one hundred and forty pounds fourteen shillings and seven-pence 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, the said securities ought to be reimbursed the sum of one hundred and forty pounds fourteen shillings and seven-pence, with interest thereon from the day of payment thereof to the sheriff, and therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Rinaldo Johnson and Elisha Berry, securities of Thomas Williams, the sum of one hundred and forty pounds fourteen shillings and seven-pence, with interest thereon from the eleventh day of June, seventeen hundred and ninety-two, the same being for poundage fees paid by them to the sheriff of Prince-George's county, on fieri facias issued by the state of Maryland, returnable to October term, 1790; it appearing by the settlement made by the chancellor, under a resolution of the general assembly, that the fieri facias was issued against them for a much greater sum than was due to the state, in consequence of which the securities paid the sum of one hundred and forty pounds fourteen shillings and seven-pence more than what was due on the debt actually owing from them to the state.

All which is submitted.

By order,

D. L. JACOB, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Hebb has leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill for the opening of Pratt-street, in the city of Baltimore, and, after hearing counsel at the bar in favour of the extension, the question was put, That the further consideration of said bill be referred to the first day of June next? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Gardiner,	Reynolds,	Harryman,	Dennis,	Woodward,	Hawkins,	Keene,	Selby,
Blackstone,	P. Stuart,	Dickinson,	Porter,	Shaaff,	Street,	Jump,	Darce,
Frisby,	Chapman,	Denny,	Moffit,	Forwood,	Muir,	Turpin,	Bruce,
Pearce,	Parnham,	Martin,	B. Hodges,	Sudler,	Bond,	Bowles,	Briscoe,
Connegys,	M'Pherson,	Smoot,	Hall,	Gleaves,	Davis,	Schnieby,	Beall,
C. D. Hodges,	Little,	Frazier,	Callis,	Sturgis,	Bayard,	Carroll,	Riser.
Lyles,							

N E G A T I V E.

W. H. Brown,	Williams,	Kerr,	Jackson,	Mitchell,	Bishop,	Biggs,	Aisquith,
Belt,	Emerson,	Gale,	Ward,	Downes,	White,	Waters,	R. Stewart,
Meriken,	M. Brown,	Winder,	Cox,	J. Brown,	Dashiell,	Kahn,	Watts.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The following resolutions were read.

RESOLVED, That the senators of this state in the congress of the United States, be and they are hereby requested to use their utmost efforts and endeavours to prevent the passage of a law in congress, for erecting a bridge from the city of Washington across the Patowmack river, as being destructive of the free navigation of that river, guaranteed by the solemn compact entered into between Virginia and Maryland, as highly disadvantageous and injurious to the substantial interests of a large part of this state, and on the ground that no manifest imperious public good at this time, and in the present state of the population of the city of Washington or the district, demands such a sacrifice on the part of Maryland.