

N E G A T I V E.

Ms Williams Harryman M Brown Boyle J E Spencer Holbrook Bland Tabbs
 Sellman

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

F R I D A Y, December 22, 1809.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. The further supplement to the act, entitled, An act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, and the bill concerning crimes and punishments, were sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Streett, ORDERED, That the bill to lay out and open a road in Harford county, be recommended for amendment.

Mr. Streett delivers the said bill as amended; which was read.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the clerk and register of wills for Dorchester county, enclosing an account of their fees, in pursuance of an order of this house; which were read.

Mr. Streett delivers the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Aquila Jones, of Harford county, have taken the same into consideration and believe 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 submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Aquila Jones, or order, the sum of fifty dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

By order,

S. BRADFORD, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Hilleary delivers the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of George Plummer Hinckle, of Allegany county, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into their consideration, and find, from the documents in the land office, that sometime in the year seventeen hundred and ninety, the said George P. Hinckle made a survey, called Walnut Plains, containing twenty-six and a half acres, by virtue of an assignment from General John Swan to Thomas Beall, of Samuel, and by Beall to Hinckle, being part of a special warrant granted to said Swan; that the surveyor deemed the same sufficient, and returned the same to the land-office within the time limited by law, and complied with all the requisites to entitle him to a patent; that your petitioner, sometime after he had made the said survey, sold the same for a valuable consideration in an unimproved state, and wishing to make the purchaser a deed for the same, applied to the land-office for a patent; that on his your petitioner's application for the same, he was informed a patent could not issue, as the assignment by which the said survey was made did not appear to be sufficient, and that General Swan refused to comply with the terms of a letter he had wrote to the then surveyor of Allegany county, and that the chancellor of Maryland, in two other cases that stood precisely on the same ground, had decreed that the said letter did not give the said surveyor authority to make the said surveys under, and by virtue of said letter, and that a memorandum is made on your petitioner's survey to the like effect; your petitioner thus being situated, and willing to comply with his contract, was compelled to take out a special warrant, whereby he could affect the same, by the return of which he is now subject to the payment of fifteen pounds fourteen shillings and one penny, as improvements on the same; the committee are therefore of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable and just, and submit the following resolution to the consideration of the house:

RESOLVED, That the state of Maryland relinquish to George Plummer Hinckle, of Allegany county, the sum of fifteen pounds fourteen shillings and one penny, it being the valuation made and returned for certain improvements on a survey, lying in said county, called Walnut Plains, and that upon his returning a certificate thereof to the land-office, and upon his paying into the treasury the composition money due thereon, and the treasurer's receipt therefor, the said certificate be received in the land-office, and that patent may issue thereupon, at the usual time, with leave of the chancellor.

By order,

T. MURPHEY, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Worthington delivers the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of the county and city of Baltimore respecting the location of a road from the city of Baltimore to the line of the district of Columbia, and the petition of John Spurrier and Edward Norwood counter thereto, having taken the same into consideration beg leave to report, that the petition cannot be granted to the extent which the petitioners *alone* wish it to be granted, unless the public good requires the sacrifice of individual interest on the old road, which this committee are not prepared to say is the case in the present application; therefore they recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their said petition.

By order,

T. MURPHEY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time by especial order and concurred with.