

day of June, in the year 1782, and recorded in the county court records of the last mentioned county on the 23d day of the same month. That the said deed was sealed and delivered on the 18th day of June, in the year 1782, and was, by mistake, dated as first above mentioned, by means whereof it appears, that the same was not recorded in six months after the date thereof, as by law it ought to have been. That the said John Millan, for and in consideration that William M'Cay, together with the aforesaid William Magruder and Leonard Smith, as his sureties, had entered into several bonds, conditioned for the payment of fourteen hundred pounds, payable at sundry different periods, by his bond to the said William M'Cay, bearing date the 14th day of November, 1782, in the penalty of £. 2800 hard money, engaged to convey to the said M'Cay the aforesaid tract of land, which said bond the aforesaid M'Cay, on the 26th day of February, 1784, assigned to the petitioners Magruder and Smith, his sureties as aforesaid, as an indemnity to them against the aforesaid several bonds. That the said John Millan, by deed of bargain and sale, bearing date the 9th day of June, in the year 1783, and acknowledged on the same day, conveyed the same land, in fee simple, to the aforesaid William M'Cay, but the same deed hath never been recorded as by law it ought. That the aforesaid William M'Cay departed this life some time in the month of March or April, 1784, intestate, and in full possession of, and without having sold or otherwise disposed of the said lands, leaving a personal estate, amounting to the sum of £. 586 5 current money, a widow, Pritcilla M'Cay, one of the petitioners, and two small children, one a boy, aged about five years, and a daughter, aged about eighteen months. That the personal estate of the said M'Cay is inadequate to the discharge of his other debts. That an action hath been prosecuted on one of the said bonds in Frederick county court, and as your committee believe, executions have been issued against the petitioners Magruder and Smith. That inasmuch as the sureties and petitioners Magruder and Smith, have an equitable claim on the aforesaid lands, in virtue of the assignment of the above-mentioned bond, your committee are of opinion, that they, with the administratrix of the aforesaid William M'Cay, should be empowered to sell and dispose of the said lands, and to appropriate the monies arising therefrom to the payment and discharge of the money due on the several bonds entered into as aforesaid, and that the title to the said lands should be secured, by correcting the mistake in the deed from William Askew to John Millan, and by empowering the petitioners to enrol the deed from John Millan to William M'Cay, and giving the same validity to it as if it had been enrolled agreeably to law. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

W. PINKNEY, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto.

A petition from Daniel M'Comiskey, of Baltimore county, praying an act to empower him to record a deed from Jonathan Tipton, junior, for part of a tract of land called Tipton's Puzzle; was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Quynn, Mr. Ridgely of William, and Mr. M'Mechen, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Samuel Treahern, Samuel Killum, and Ezekiel Lankford, of Somerset county, praying an act may pass, to enable them to dispose of two tracts of land called Hogg-Ridge and Wilson's Purchase, the property of John Long, deceased, for the payment of his debts; was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Joseph Dashiell, Mr. Gantt, and Mr. Adams, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Beall appeared in the house.

A petition from sundry freemen and citizens of Baltimore-town, praying an emission of money; was preferred and read.

Samuel Hughes, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a petition from Edward M'Farlin, prisoner in Baltimore county gaol, praying an act to discharge him from confinement; a memorial and petition from Alexander Contee Hanson, praying the treasurer may be directed immediately to pay him £. 750, in consideration of the work in which he is at present engaged, and an equal allowance to that of the chief judge, under the express condition of his residing at Annapolis; a petition from John Walker, Richard Jacob, Vachel Stevens, and William Pumphrey, of Anne-Arundel county, praying an act may pass, empowering the justices of Anne-Arundel county to assess on the inhabitants of Saint Margaret's Westminster parish, the sum of fifty-four pounds seven shillings sterling, with interest, to repay the reverend Mr. Magowan a sum of money by him advanced for the completion of the chapel of ease in the said parish; and a memorial and petition from John Patterson, James Steel, James Nesbitt, Robert Nesbitt, John Lyon, Hugh Lyon, and John Starrett, of Cæcil county, praying an act may pass, empowering the intendant to sell and dispose of a tract of land in said county, called Widow's Lot, as part of Susquehanna Manor, which has been heretofore sold as the property of Samuel Hyde; severally endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1785: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Mr. F. Bowie and Mr. W. Bowie appeared in the house.

The house took into consideration the order of the day, and the question was put, That it is the opinion of this house, that an emission of bills of credit is necessary and proper at this time of so great scarcity of specie and heavy and necessary taxes, and that the greater part of the emission be lent out on loan on interest, on double the security in real property, and that the residue of the emission be applied to public purposes? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Bracco appeared as follow: