

Mr. Key, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to vest in James Chapalear and Thomas Lock, of St. Mary's county, the title to a tract or parcel of land purchased by Joseph Burroughs, lying and being in Calverton Manor in Charles county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the bill for enlarging the powers of the high court of chancery, have a second reading on Friday next.

Mr. Kirkman brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to make valid a deed from John Craig to Hugh M'Bryde, of Caroline county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Henrietta James, of Baltimore-town in Baltimore county, praying that she may be permitted to liquidate certificates obtained by her for money lodged in the continental loan-office, and accept this state for payment, agreeably to the act of November session 1782, which she had not an opportunity of doing within time; was preferred and read.

The order of the day respecting the honourable Alexander Contee Hanson, Esq; is postponed till Saturday next.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, December 28, 1785.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Jackson. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. W. Bowie appeared in the house.

A petition from Jacob Lumm, late collector of Cecil county, praying a further time to complete his collection; was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. Lethbury, and Mr. M'Mechen, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Henry Brothers, of Frederick county, setting forth, that he sustained great damage by a detachment of British troops, and praying relief in the premises; was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Faw, Mr. Digges, and Mr. Bond, to consider and report thereon.

WHEREAS it appears that Jesse Suit, of the city of Annapolis, did take up a number of deserters under the act of assembly, passed at the April session one thousand seven hundred and eighty two, entitled, A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act to raise recruits:

Therefore, RESOLVED, That the intendant of the revenue be directed to settle with the said Jesse Suit, and pay him such sum of money as may appear due him for the services aforesaid.

A petition from Henry Casson, of Caroline county, praying an act may pass, directing the register of the land-office to grant him a patent for a tract of land called Casson's Forest, upon his paying at the rate required by law; was preferred and read, and referred to Mr. Bracco, Mr. M'Mechen, and Mr. Driver, to consider and report thereon.

The bill to establish a road in Somerset county, and the resolution respecting Jesse Suit, were sent to the senate by Mr. Waters.

The bill for the regulation of the poor in the several counties of this state, &c. was read the second time and passed. Sent to the senate by Mr. M'Mechen.

Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to enable John Eager Howard, of Baltimore county, to convey to the vestry of Saint Paul's parish, and their successors, a parcel of ground adjoining Baltimore-town, for the purposes therein mentioned, endorsed; "By the senate, December 23, 1785: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 25, 1785: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

And the bill for extending the causeway through the marsh on the south side of Wiccomico river, endorsed; "By the senate, December 27, 1785: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 28, 1785: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

The order of the day, respecting the intendant of the revenue, is postponed till to-morrow morning.

Mr. Joseph Dashiell brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to make provision for the maintenance and education of Joseph Handy, only son of captain Joseph Handy; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jones, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee, appointed to consider the petition of Annanias Hodson and Walton Purnell, beg leave to report, That in consequence of an application, by petition, from sundry inhabitants of Worcester county, amounting to ninety-seven, among whom were the petitioners, a law passed last session of assembly, empowering commissioners to lay out a road from Sinepuxent road, that is, the road leading from St. Martin's church to Sinepuxent inlet, to the grist-mill of the above named petitioners; and by the said law it is enacted, that the damages occasioned by cutting the aforesaid road, should be paid by the petitioners, Hodson and Purnell.