

may be deemed and considered a public and main road, and as such repaired and kept open; was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to regulate the militia of this state. ORDERED, That Mr. Forrest, Mr. Chase, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Paca, Mr. Matthews, Mr. F. Bowie and Mr. Wright, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A petition from William Kirby, of Saint Mary's county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Hopewell, Mr. Pattison, Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. Paca and Mr. Chase, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill to alter the allowance of jurors and witnesses attending the general court? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Taney, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E					
Messrs	Forrest,	B. Worthington,	M'Pherson,	Quynn,	J. Bond,
	Hopewell,	Taney,	Cockey,	Jackson,	Love,
	Harwood,	Grahame,	Ridgely,	Norris,	Loockerman,
	N. Worthington,	Gantt,	R. Bond,		Cellars,
					Burgess,
					Nicholls. 21.

N E G A T I V E.					
Messrs	De Butts,	Dent,	Shaw,	F. Bowie,	Mantz,
	Miller,	Sherwood,	Pattison,	John Seney,	T. Johnson,
	J. Johnson,	Stevens,	Steele,	Purnell,	Bayly,
	Wright,	Gibson,	Wallace,	Henry,	Walker,
	Fitzhugh,	Stewart,	Bravard,	Faw,	Hardcastle,
					Hollingsworth,
					Funk,
					Stull,
					Oneale,
					Holmes. 30.

So it was determined in the negative.

The following question being propounded to the house, viz. That leave be given to bring in a bill to increase the allowance of jurors and witnesses attending the general court? The previous question was called for and put, That the said question be now put? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr Taney, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.					
Messrs.	Wright,	Gantt,	Ridgely,	Jackson,	J. Bond,
	Taney,	M'Pherson,	Quynn,	Norris,	Loockerman,
	Grahame,	Cockey,	R. Bond,		Cellars,
					Nicholls. 15.

N E G A T I V E.					
Messrs	De Butts,	N. Worthington,	Gibson,	Bravard,	T. Johnson,
	Forrest,	B. Worthington,	Stewart,	F. Bowie,	Bayly,
	Hopewell,	Fitzhugh,	Shaw,	John Seney,	Walker,
	Miller,	Dent,	Pattison,	Purnell,	Hardcastle,
	J. Johnson,	Sherwood,	Steele,	Henry,	Hollingsworth,
	Harwood,	Stevens,	Wallace,	Mantz,	M'Mechen,
					Funk,
					Stull,
					Oneale,
					Holmes. 34.

So it was determined in the negative.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Hollingsworth, Mr. Chase, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Faw, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Cellars and Mr. Wallace, be a committee to inquire into and report the state of the stadt-house, governor's house, and public necessary; that they report what sums of money have been expended, and what further sums may be necessary to finish and complete the same.

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

T H U R S D A Y, November 30, 1786.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. John Pope Mitchell and Mr. Josiah Mitchell, two delegates returned for Worcester county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took their seats in the house.

The report on the petition of George Ireland, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? Determined in the negative.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery, Frederick, and Washington counties, praying an act may pass for establishing one more inspection for tobacco at George-town, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Burgess, Mr. Oneale, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Joshua Seney and Mr. Forrest, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Owings appeared in the house.

Thomas Stone, Esquire, from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, NOVEMBER 30, 1786.

GENTLEMEN,

THE senate having a sufficient number of members to compose a house, inform the delegates, that they shall be ready to proceed to the election of a governor at 12 o'clock this day, and have appointed William Perry and Richard Ridgely, Esquires, to join the gentlemen to be nominated by your house to examine the ballot boxes. The honourable William Smallwood, Esquire, is put in nomination by this house.

By order,

J DORSEY, clk.

Which was read. ORDERED, That Mr. Chase, Mr. Joshua Seney and Mr. Wright, be a committee to prepare an answer to the said message.

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Mr.