

ORDERED, That the petition and counter remonstrance respecting the removal of the seat of justice in Harford county, be taken into consideration on Wednesday the twenty-seventh instant.

RESOLVED, That some responsible person or persons be named, who shall be liable to pay the costs, as taxed by this house, before any summonses issue for witnesses to attend and testify for petitioners.

Mr. Francis Baker and Mr. Gabriel Christie, being at the bar of the house, engaged to pay all the costs that may be taxed in supporting the petition for removing the seat of justice in Harford county.

Mr. John H. Stone, a delegate returned for Charles county, appeared, and after qualifying in the mode prescribed by the constitution and form of government, took his seat in the house.

Summonses issued for Zebulon Hollingsworth, Robert Smith and Archibald Robinson, of Baltimore county, Robert Morgan, William Jones and Samuel G. Osborn, of Harford, to give testimony on the petition respecting the removal of the seat of justice in Harford county.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled, An act for an emission of bills of credit, and after some time spent in debate thereon, adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, December 15, 1786.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. Bayly has leave of absence till this day fortnight.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Job Garretson, of Baltimore county, beg leave to report, that in consequence of the resolve of the last general assembly, such appointment of arbitrators hath taken place agreeably to the said resolution, and award hath been made, as is alleged in the said new petition, but your committee are of opinion, that no consequential damages ought to be allowed; and your committee beg leave to refer to the consideration of the honourable house, whether the said petitioner ought to have in his election now to give up his purchase, it appearing by the certificate of the late intendant, that after the said resolve, and before the appointment of arbitrators, he offered to give up his purchase, and the improvements he had made on the premises, provided the intendant would give up his bond, or is bound to comply with his contract, discounting only the money and interest awarded. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order, J. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Joshua Seney, Mr. Perkins, Mr. W. Bowie, Mr. Chase and Mr. Paca, be a committee to consider and report on the indulgence proper to be afforded by the legislature, to debtors on bonds in the loan-office under the old government, for any bills of credit issued or emitted by the authority thereof.

A letter of excuse from Mr. Wallace, for absenting himself without leave, was laid before the house, read and accepted.

The bill, entitled, An act for an emission of bills of credit, being read throughout, the question was put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Dent, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Perkins,	Owings,	W. Bowie,	P. Mitchell,	J. Bond,	Stull,
	J. Johnson,	Ridgely,	R. Bowie,	Purnell,	Love,	Cromwell,
	Harwood,	Gale,	Digges,	J. Mitchell,	Wheeler,	Burgefs,
	N. Worthington,	Shaw,	Paca,	Henry,	M'Meichen,	Oneale,
	Chase,	Hooper,	Joshua Seney,	Faw,	Cellars,	Holmes,
	Grahame,	R. Bond,	Jackson,	Norris,	Funk,	Nicholls. 37.
	Gantt,					
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	De Butts,	Turner,	Stevens,	Steele,	Jenings,	Loockerman,
	Forrest,	M'Pherfon,	Stewart,	Matthews,	Mantz,	Walker,
	Hopewell,	Stone,	Polk,	Bravard,	T. Johnson,	Hardcastle,
	Fitzhugh,	Sherwood,	Pattison,	Quynn,	Bayly,	Hollingsworth. 25.
	Dent,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

S A T U R D A Y, December 16, 1786.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Bayly and Mr. Wallace. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A memorial from William Hanson, examiner-general, setting forth, that the fees arising from his office are not adequate to his services and expences, the office requiring him to reside at the seat of government, and praying relief in the premises; was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. T. Johnson, Mr. De Butts and Mr. Shaw, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. J. Bond has leave of absence till Wednesday week next. Mr. De Butts has leave of absence till the first day of January next. Mr. Purnell has leave of absence till Monday week.

A petition