

No. 3 is an account of the receipts and deliveries of monies and certificates at the treasuries from the first day of November, 1785, to the first day of the same month in 1786, by which there was a balance remaining in the treasury of the western shore £.8271 1 3 old continental money, £.12464 8 4 black and state continental money, and £.7589 19 0½ specie, appropriated as stated by the committee of claims in their report.

No. 4 is an abstract of claims against the confiscated property of persons convicted of treason, and British subjects, with remarks thereon, amounting to £.48520 1 4, carried to the debit of the state debt No. 1; the greatest number of these are not passed by the auditor, or approved by the governor and council. The auditor has been, and still is, under great difficulties respecting these accounts; not having any documents by which they can be examined and checked, he must either take every thing they contain for granted and pass them for the sums that appear due as they are stated, or reject many of them altogether, either of which decisions may injure the state or the claimants very considerably. The claims of Messieurs Washington and Russell against the property of the Principio company, for their proportion of the same, is not included in the abstract No. 4, the amount not being ascertained.

No. 5 is a list of claims with remarks; they are for various services and supplies, as will appear by the remarks, and amount to £.4557 0 0, not settled for want of proper vouchers in some instances, and want of explanation in others. This account is carried to the debit of the state debt marked No. 2. What the amount of other claims by individuals for supplies not presented, the auditor cannot tell, but he thinks they cannot exceed five thousand pounds.

No. 6 is an estimate of what sums may be wanting for the demands against the state by its citizens, &c. and the requisitions of congress in the year 1787, which cannot be completed on either side, as will be obvious to the honourable assembly upon reference to the same.

The auditor begs leave to inform the honourable the general assembly, that he is not quite prepared to report upon the state of the continental account, and the progress which has been made towards a settlement thereof, but that in the course of the following week he hopes to report fully thereon.

Auditor's office, 30th Dec. 1786.

C. RICHMOND, aud. gen.

N. B. The claim of Hanbury against the estate of Daniel Dulany, son of Walter, is not provided for in the foregoing report.

C. RICHMOND, aud. gen.

Endorsed; "By the senate, January 1, 1787: Read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

"By order,

J. DORSEY, clk."

Which was read.

The amendments to the bill to extend the time for bringing in and settling claims against this state, were read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Charles county, praying an act may pass to alter a road near Port-Tobacco, and a remonstrance counter thereto, were preferred, read, and referred to Mr. De Butts, Mr. Stone and Mr. Hopewell, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Thomas Johnson, from the conferees, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

A T a meeting of the conferees of the senate and house of delegates, present, from the senate, Thomas Stone, Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, William Hemsley, Esquires; from the house of delegates, Thomas Johnson, Samuel Chase, William Paca, John H. Stone, Robert Wright, Esquires.

It is agreed, that the deputies appointed by this state, or any three or more of them, be authorized on behalf of this state to meet such deputies as may be appointed and authorized by the other states to assemble in convention at Philadelphia, for the purpose of revising the federal system, and to join with them in considering such alterations and farther provisions as may be necessary to render the federal constitution adequate to the exigencies of the union, and in reporting such an act for that purpose to the United States in congress, as when agreed to by them, and duly confirmed by the several states, will effectually provide for the same.

That the proceedings of the deputies, and any act agreed to in the said convention, be reported by the deputies to the next session of assembly.

Agreed, that five commissioners for this state be appointed, and that they, or any three or more of them, be authorized to meet commissioners from the states of Virginia, Pennsylvania and Delaware, jointly or separately, and to communicate the regulations of commerce and duties proposed by each state, and to confer on such subjects as may concern the commercial interest of the said states, and within the power of the respective states; and that the meeting of commissioners be on the third week of September next, and at such places as they shall agree on, and that their proceedings be reported to the legislature of this state.

That the said commissioners be authorized to meet the commissioners from the said states before the time above mentioned, at such time and place as may be agreed on.

Agreed, that the commissioners to be appointed on behalf of this state, be directed to confer with the commissioners of Virginia, and to concert with them on proper plans for light-houses, and to agree on proper places where such light-houses ought to be erected, and to take such measures for completing this necessary work as may be judged proper, and that they report their proceedings to the next general assembly.

By order,

R. SPRIGG, jun. clk.

Which was read.

A petition