

A letter from his excellency the governor, respecting repairs to the government house, was read, and referred to Mr. Key, Mr. Oneale and Mr. Douglass, to consider and report thereon.

The bill concerning persons held in slavery, was read the second time, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. T. Ringgold, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Carroll, Mercer, Cockey, Kerr,	Waggaman, Lowes, Oldham,	Bowie, T. Marshall, Seney,	Dennis, Ratcliff, P. Smith,	Love, Oneale, Beall,	Crelap, Tomlinson, Jacob. 19.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Hopewell, T. Ringgold, Comegys, Scott, J. Worthington, N. Worthington, Chesley, T. Harwood,	Craik, Hawkins, M'Pherfon, Chapman, Ridgely, of Wm. Ridgely, Sherwood, Gibson,	Denwood, Lecompte, Frazier, Eccleston, Miller, T. Bond, Clark, T. Gantt,	Quynn, Duvall, Wright, O'Bryon, Barnes, Holland, J. P. Marshall, Key,	Beatty, Burkhart, Prall, Pinkney, Wilson, Douglass, Loockerman,	Whitely, S. Smith, M'Mechen, Ott, Swearingen, Deakins, Turner. 46.

So it was determined in the negative.

ORDERED, That the report on the petition from Sassafras Neck, be read a second time to-morrow.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to authorise the laying out of certain roads in Baltimore county, endorsed; "By the senate, December 1, 1791: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, December 6, 1791: Read the second time and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

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

W E D N E S D A Y, December 7, 1791.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. T. Gantt, junior, appeared in the house.

Mr. Scott, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Kent county; which was read.

RESOLVED, That all business of a private nature in this house, not acted upon before Saturday the 10th instant, shall be referred to the next session of assembly.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to prevent abuses in making of bricks, and to ascertain the dimensions thereof. ORDERED, That Mr. Quynn, Mr. S. Smith and Mr. Duvall, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Quynn, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act to prevent abuses in making of bricks, and to ascertain the dimensions thereof; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Crabb, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the presbyterian congregation near Bladensburg, in Prince-George's county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the same have a second reading on the 15th instant.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Sassafras Neck, was read the second time (agreeably to the order of the day) and committed for amendment.

On motion, ORDERED, That Mr. Wright be added to the committee on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Sassafras Neck.

A remonstrance of Thomas and Richard Lee, counter to the petition of William Hammond, was preferred and read.

Mr. Wright, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to incorporate the Queen-Anne's county presbyterian congregation, and to vest in them certain parcels of land, as amended; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On the second reading of the bill for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, the question was put, That the name of Thomas Smyth be struck out of the said bill? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Douglass, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Mercer, Sherwood,	Frazier, Miller,	T. Marshall, Ratcliff,	J. P. Marshall, Key,	Douglass, Whitely,	S. Smith, Beall. 12.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Carroll, Hopewell, T. Ringgold, Comegys, Scott, J. Worthington, N. Worthington, Chesley, T. Gantt, jun.	T. Harwood, Craik, Hawkins, M'Pherfon, Chapman, Ridgely, of Wm. Ridgely, Kerr, Gibson,	Waggaman, Denwood, Lowes, Lecompte, Eccleston, R. Bond, Hollingsworth, Oldham, Bowie,	Clark, T. Gantt, Quynn, Duvall, Seney, Wright, O'Bryon, Barnes, Dennis,	Holland, Beatty, P. Smith, Burkhart, Prall, Love, Pinkney, Wilson, Loockerman,	M'Mechen, Ott, Swearingen, Crabb, Deakins, Turner, Crelap, Tomlinson, Jacob. 54.

So it was determined in the negative.