

The report on the petition of the securities of Thomas Williams, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house concur therewith? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow :

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	W. Thomas, Plater, Kilgour, Lloyd, Harwood, Ridout, Mackall,	J. Thomas, Ridgely, of Wm. King, Ridgely, Howard, Cox, Kerr, Goldsbrough,	Denwood, King, Frazier, Daffin, Waggaman, Gordon, Hollingsworth,	R. Bond, Ward, Ewing, Quynn, Duvall, O'Bryon,	Sency, Whittington, Dennis, Bayly, J. Bond, Jarrett,	Prall, Douglafs, Loockerman, Driver, M'Mechen, Van Lear. 39.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Brogden, Freeland, M'Pherson, Hawkins,	Digges, T. Worthington, Bowie,	T. Wootton, Sprigg, Barnes,	Houston, Purnell, Beatty,	Swearingen, Crabb, Oneale,	Bayard, Tomlinson, Simkins. 19.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

And thereupon, RESOLVED, That the judges of the high court of appeals be and they are hereby authorized and required, to consider and give their opinion at the ensuing court of appeals, or at the next court thereafter, upon the question of law lately referred to the judges of the general court by the chancellor, when adjusting the accounts between the state and the securities of the late Thomas Williams, under a resolution of November session, seventeen hundred and ninety, and if such opinion shall be in favour of said securities, the chancellor is hereby authorized and requested to make his decree accordingly, charging the said securities only with so much of the sinking fund tax as hath been received by said securities, to be ascertained to the satisfaction of the chancellor, by inspection of the original books of Thomas Williams, and the books of the securities, or otherwise, and that the register in chancery be and he is hereby directed to send a copy of the case in appeal to the attorney-general of this state, on or before the first day of March next.

The bill to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act for the preservation of the breed of fish, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, the question was put, That this house will sit, for the dispatch of public business, the remainder of the session, from nine o'clock in the morning till one in the afternoon, and from three until seven in the evening? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow :

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
Messieurs	W. Thomas, Mackall, Freeland, M'Pherson,	J. Thomas, Ridgely, of Wm. King, T. Worthington, Howard,	Cox, Frazier, Hollingsworth, Ward,	Barnes, Houston, Beatty, Bayly,	Jamison, Douglafs, Swearingen, Van Lear,	Crabb, Oneale, Tomlinson, Simkins. 24.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messieurs	Kilgour, Harwood, Brogden, Ridout, Hawkins, Digges,	Ridgely, Kerr, Goldsbrough, Denwood, Daffin, Waggaman,	Gordon, R. Bond, Ewing, T. Wootton, Bowie,	Sprigg, Quynn, Duvall, Whittington, Dennis,	Purnell, Jarrett, Prall, Montgomery, Loockerman,	Driver, M'Mechen, Hughes, R. Wootton, Johnson. 32.

So it was determined in the negative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the additional supplement to an act, entitled, An act to remove the market-house at the Head of Elk, and establish the same, and for the advancement and regulation of said town, endorsed; "By the senate, December 20, 1793: Read the first and second time " by especial order and passed.

"By order,

W. PERRY, jun. clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.

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

S A T U R D A Y, December 21, 1793.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

A petition from James Morrow, of Cæcil county, praying to be released from a debt due the state for the purchase of certain confiscated property, lying in Charles-town, in said county, and that the treasurer of the western shore may be authorized to deliver up his bond, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Hollingsworth and Mr. R. Bond, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from Sarah Brookes, executrix of Benjamin Brookes, praying an act may pass to suspend the sale of the real estate of her late husband, who was one of the securities of John Beall, late collector of the public taxes of Prince-George's county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Bowie, Mr. Sprigg and Mr. Duvall, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Hollingsworth, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a report on the petition of James Morrow; which was read.

The report on the petition of Robert Amos, was read the second time, and the question put, That the house assent to the resolution therein contained? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Bayly and Mr. Mackall have leave of absence.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a report on the report of Christopher Richmond; which was read.

Mr.