

The bill to empower the levy court of Harford county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

Mr. J. Buchanan, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Washington county, report, that they have examined and considered the same, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted.

By order,

S. MAYNARD, clk.

Which was read the first and second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. J. Buchanan, Mr. C. Beall and Mr. Dorsey, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

A representation from the justices of the orphans court of Calvert county, praying an act may pass for recording wills, inventories, accounts and bonds, not recorded by the late register of wills of said county, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Emerson, Mr. Key, Mr. Brome, Mr. Robins and Mr. Rackliff, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, the question was put, That leave be given to bring in a bill to provide for the support of illegitimate children, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

McHenry	Page, Comegys, Parker, Emerson,	Brome, Chapman, E. Brown, Jones,	Dashiell, Polk, Miller, Matthews,	Addison, Calvert, Quynn, Nicholson,	Warfield, Montgomery, Bennett, Kerchner,	C. Beall, J. Buchanan, Riley, Swales.	24.
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N E G A T I V E.

McHenry	Leigh, Plowden, Greenwell, Merryman,	Sherwood, Martin, Hyland, S. Frazier,	Pattison, Goldborough, Wallace, J. Brown,	C. Frazier, Corbin, Robins, Rackliff,	Jarrett, M'Comas, Bond, Mitchell,	Potter, A. Beall, Tomlinson, Young.	24.
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The house being equally divided, the question was determined in the negative by the speaker.

The house took into consideration the order of the day, respecting the petition of John Eager Howard, and others, and after hearing counsel at the bar of the house on behalf of the petitioners, RESOLVED, That this house will take into consideration the case of the proprietors of ground-rent, and grant such relief as the case may require.

ORDERED, That the said petition be referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill for the valuation of real and personal property within this state.

Mr. C. Beall, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Henry Rowland, have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof ought not to be granted.

By order,

J. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

Mr. Godman, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the representation of the printer to the state beg leave to report, that they have taken the same under consideration, and find, on examining, the allowance heretofore made to him to be as follows: For the years 1784 and 85 the sum of £. 500, for the years 1786, 87, 88, 92 and 93, the sum of £. 375, for the years 1790, 91, 94 and 95, the sum of £. 450, and for the year 1796 the sum of £. 500, which makes the average sum of £. 426 18 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

Your committee are therefore of opinion, from the advanced price both of labour and materials, and the increase of duty and expences laid on the said printer since he hath been directed to furnish the justices of the peace in the several counties in this state with the votes and proceedings of the general assembly, that he ought to be entitled to a further compensation, to enable him to purchase a new set of types; they therefore submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay unto Frederick Green, printer to the state, the sum of one thousand dollars, as a further compensation for his services.

By order,

A. GOLDR, clk.

Which was read.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill to regulate the vending of grain in Kent county. ORDERED, That Mr. Page, Mr. Duckett, Mr. Comegys, Mr. Angier and Mr. Parker, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion, ORDERED, That the committee on the petition of Henry H. Carroll be discharged.

ORDERED, That the said petition be referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill for the valuation of real and personal property within this state.

On motion, ORDERED, That the report on the petition of negro Rachel be committed for amendment.

Mr. Robins, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Legh Hoskins Master, having examined into the facts, do find, that Legh Master, late of Frederick county, deceased, in his life-time, and at the time of his death, was seized in fee of a considerable landed estate, situate in the said county, containing about six thousand acres, on which a furnace was formerly erected and carried on, but hath gone to ruin, and that the same is now in a very unproductive state, but the probable value thereof is about twenty thousand pounds current money. That the said Legh Master, in virtue of an act of assembly passed at November session, 1794, duly made and published his last will and testament, and thereby gave and