

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

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the governor of the state, transmitting a letter from the governor of North-Carolina, with the laws of that state; which were read, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from Joseph Baxter, and others, of Cæcil county, praying an increase of fees, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed to bring in a bill for the regulation of officers and attorneys fees.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Threlkeld, of George-town, Montgomery county, have taken the same into consideration, and report, that they find Francis Hatfield, a resident of Maryland, seized in fee-simple in and of a lot of land No. 151, in Funck's-town, in Prince-George's county, and being so seized died, leaving Jonathan and Joseph Hatfield, aliens, and subjects of the king of England, his heirs at law; that a certain Margaret Adams gave notice to the agent that the said lot was liable to confiscation, and in pursuance of such information, the agent caused the same to be sold as confiscated property, and the petitioner became the purchaser at and for the sum of £. 57 0 0 current money, and gave bond, on the 10th June, 1793, conditioned for payment of the same; that since the date of said bond the petitioner paid to the state, in part of the purchase money, the sum of £. 3 19 6, and in deferred stock £. 19, and state certificates £. 9 10 0, as by vouchers appear; that a certain Margaret Adams, in order to secure the title to the said lot of land, took out an escheat warrant, and afterwards suffered the same to run out of date; that John Threlkeld, the petitioner, took out a warrant of escheat to affect the same lot, which warrant is in force.

Your committee are of opinion, that the said lot of land could only in point of law be affected by escheat, by reason of the dying seized of Francis Hatfield in the year 1785, and they think it reasonable that the said John Threlkeld should have the money by him advanced upon his bond given to the state refunded, would recommend the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the treasurer be directed to pay to John Threlkeld, or order, the sum of thirty pounds four shillings and two-pence, it being the amount of the sums, with interest, paid into the treasury by said Threlkeld, as by the agent's account will appear.

By order,

R. K. WATTS, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from Samuel Tyler, junior, of Prince-George's county, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

The bill to discontinue the donation to Washington college, was sent to the senate by the clerk.

A petition from the trustees of Charlotte-Hall school, praying the surplus funds of Saint-John's college may be applied to the said school, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Plowden, Mr. Key, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Leigh and Mr. Duckett, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John Eccleston, of Dorchester county, praying the treasurer may be directed to reimburse him the principal, interest and costs, on a judgment obtained against him by the state for property purchased of the said state, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Wilson, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Dashiell, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Goldborough, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Dorchester county, praying an act may pass authorizing the levy court of said county to raise a sum of money to indemnify Henry Waggaman for the purchase of a lot in the town of Cambridge, made at the request of the said court for the use of the said county, and also to sell the fee-simple of certain lots in the said town now leased on ground-rent, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Goldborough, Mr. Craig and Mr. T. Buchanan, to consider and report thereon.

Petitions from Charles Ward and Patrick Goulding, praying acts of insolvency, were preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying they may be incorporated for the purpose of establishing a library company, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Smith and Mr. Carroll, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Dashiell, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorizing the justices of the levy court of Somerset county to levy a sum of money on the assessable property of the said county for building a prison in the county, and other purposes therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Key, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to alter, abolish and repeal, such parts of the first, second, fourteenth and forty-second sections of the constitution and form of government, as relate to the time, place and manner, of holding the several elections therein specified; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Clarke, from the committee, brings in and delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Phebe Martin and Priscilla Martin; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to discontinue the donation to Saint-John's college, was read the second time, agreeably to the order of the day, and the question put, That the said bill do pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

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

Messieurs Angier, Page, Comegys, E. Brown, Sherwood,	Martin, Harwood, Jones, Dashiell, Hollingsworth,	C. Frazier, Thomas, Fred. Gift, Montgomery, Jarrett,	Bond, McComas, Young, Kerchner,	Riley, Swaites, P. Magruder, R. Magruder,	Clarke, A. Beall, Tomlinson, Rice.
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