

Friday, 26 November, 1784.

The House met according to adjournment.

The House resumed the consideration of a Resolve of the Senate of the 11th Inst. empowering the Governor for the time being to carry into effect an act therein mentioned, when it was concurred with and returned.

Received from the Senate the report of the Committee on the Acct. of John Taylor. On the Petition of Henry Guthery. On the Petition and Acct. of John Penn, Esq., for attendance in Congress. On the Petition and Accts. of John Williams, Esq., for attendance in Congress. On the Accounts of Judge Ashe, Judge Spencer, and Judge Williams, for the depreciation of their Salaries, heretofore received. Respectively endorsed, read and concurred with.

Whereas, it hath been represented to this Assembly that Rice Bass, John Bass, Herman Bass, William Roberts, Thomas Dean, junior, and Daniel Miller stand indicted in the Superior Court of Law and Equity for the District of New Bern, for the murder of Martin Franks and James Blackshare, two of the citizens of this State, and although process of Law hath several times issued against them yet by their continuing in arms and shifting from County to County they have hitherto eluded the execution thereof and still lye out in obscure places frequently committing thefts and other depredations on the property and sometimes violences on the persons of individuals.

Therefore resolved, That His Excellency the Governor, or commander-in-Chief for the time being, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and required to issue a Proclamation thereby requiring the said Rice Bass, John Bass, Herman Bass, William Roberts,

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Thomas Dean, junior, and Daniel Miller, and each of them to surrender him or themselves to some one of the Judges of the Superior Courts or Justices of the Peace within ninety days after the date of such proclamation to be dealt with according to the nature of his or their offences; and in case, the said Rice Bass, John Bass, Herman Bass, William Roberts, Thomas Dean, Jun., and Daniel Miller do not surrender themselves agreeable to the Tenor of such Proclamation, then or in such case the Governor or Commander-in-Chief as aforesaid is also authorized, empowered and required to offer a reward of fifty pounds to any person or persons for each and every of the said offenders whom he or they shall apprehend and bring to Justice.

Ordered that this Resolve be sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Received from the Senate the above resolve concurred with.