COMMITTEE
FOR
LAW SUITS

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At a Court of Directors, on Thursday the 6th. Feby. 1812.—

Resolved,

Resolutn. of the Court respecting the appointt. of the Law Committee—

That from and after the next Election, those Directors who are appointed to the Committee for Law Suits, shall be exempted from serving upon the Committees of Inspection.—

By

Thursday, 9th. April 1812.—

Appointment of the Committee for Law Suits for the purpose of ordering what Prosecutions shall be commenced and giving such directions for the management of them, and the retaining of Counsel, and preferring Indictments as they may judge expedient, and also to consider the State of Unpaid Bills and Notes, agreeably to the recommendation of the Committee and approved by the Court, the 24th. March 1808.—

Appointment of the Committee 1812.—

Mr. Harman

Mr. Maitland, Mr. Drewe,—

Mr. Richards, Mr. Davidson.—

Mr. Bonnor
Mr. Maitland
Mr. Smith
Mr. Drewe
Mr. Haldimand

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Committee for Law Suits,
on Wednesday, 15th April, 1812.

Present.—

Mr Harman, Mr Drewe,
Mr Maitland, Mr Davidson.—

The Appointment of the Committee was read, and also the Proceedings of the last Committee.—

Mr Kay's further application.—

Application was made by J. Kay for indulgence till 1st May next, to pay the Instalment of £500 due on the 4th Instant.—

Proceed.s ag.st him to be stayed till 1st May next

Ordered,

That the Solicitor be directed to stay Proceedings against John Kay, until 1st May next.—

Transport Office require particulars respecting the Convict.s of French Pris.rs

Read a Letter from the Secretary of the Transport Office, dated 14th Instant, requesting to have the particulars relative to the Conviction and Punishment of the French Prisoners for Forgery, it being intended to have Notices printed and posted up in the several Depôts for Prisoners of War, in order to deter others from the Commission of such Offence.—

Ordered,

instruct.d to Mr Kaye to transmit them

That Mr Kaye be directed to transmit to the Transport Office the information required.—

Read

Messrs. Spurrier & Co. respg. allowce to Witnesses agt. Wm. Booth.

Read a Letter from Messrs. Spurrier & Ingleby. dated 18th. Instant, Stating that the Witnesses who are connected with William Booth at Birmingham having turned Kings Evidence, have been maintained by the Keeper of the House of Correction at the Expense of about 1/6d. per Day, but that the County allowance is only 3/- per Week. and requesting to be informed whether the Bank will object to the payment of the Extra 7/6d. per Week for the time the Witnesses have been in Custody, and until the Assizes, as they are only Committed merely for Safe Custody.-

Ordered,

allowed 7/6 per Week.

That Mr. Kaye be directed to acquaint Messrs. Spurrier & Co. that the said allowance will be granted.-

Messrs. Scarratt, Loudonsack & Co. propos. of 10/6 in the Pound.-

Read a Letter from Messrs. Kibblewhite & Co. Solicitors, dated 14th. Inst. enclosing a circular Letter from Messrs. Jas. Deacon & Co. and Messrs. Ward & Lambert, who were appointed a Committee to investigate the Accounts of Messrs. Scarratt, Loudonsack & Co. and proposing a Composition of 10/6 in the Pound to be paid by 4 Instalms. dated 1st. May next at 4. 8. 12 & 16 Months;- the 3 first to be 2/6 each; and the last 3/- to be guaranteed

to

to the Satisfaction of the Creditors provided all agree to the said Proposition.-

Resolved

Acceded to

That upon their obtaining the Consent of all the parties on their Bills, and paying all Law Charges, the said Proposal be acceded to.-

Alex.r Ross's applicat.n for indulgence till 25 June next.-

Read a Letter from Mr. Alexander Ross, dated 14.th Instant, requesting to be allowed indulgence till 25.th June next to retire the whole of his Debt to the Bank,- and stating that he is in Daily expectation of receiving Considerable Sums for Clothing, which shall be applied for payment to the Bank.-

enq.y to be made resp.g Security to be proposed.

Mr. Cox was directed to wait on Mr. Ross to know what Security he can give, and report the result of the Conference.-

Wid.ws Allen & Ellis's proposal of a Compos.n of 10/- in the pound

Application was made by Widow Allen & Ellis of Tower Street Wine Merchants, Acceptors of Sundry Bills amounting to £17,858.19.7. for the Bank to accept of a Composition of 10/- in the pound payable at 2, 4 & 6 months, with Security for the last Instalment of 3/- to which arrangem.t

their

their other Creditors have agreed to.-

Resolved,

Wid.r Allen & Hs. applic.n acceded to conditionally.-

That on their obtaining the Consents of all the parties on the Bills, and the Solicitor after perusing their Deed, seeing no objection, - their application be acceded to.-

£10.289-14-11 p.d by Mr. Kaye for Sums rec.d -

Mr. Kaye delivered a Draft for £10.289-14-11 for Sums received, on the following Accounts.- Viz.t

Mr. Chr. Blackett, Principal & Interest, on his Bills	£8583-0-0
Mr. Wm. Moore's, Bal.ce of 2 Instal.t & Interest	993-14-7
Mr. Trueman, 2.d Instalm.t on his Bond & Interest, as Surety for Mr Baker's	713-0-4
	£10.289-14-4

Ordered,

Deb.t to Mr. Cox to carry to the respective Accounts.-

That Mr. Cox be directed to carry the said Sum of £10.289-14-4 to the respective Accounts.-

The Governor laid before the Committee the Copy of a Letter which himself and Deputy Governor had sent to Major Hankin the Comm.g Officer of the Scotch Greys expressing their thanks to him for the important Service rendered to the Bank and the

Public

Public, enclosing at the same time a Post Bill of One Hundred Pounds to be applied to the Regimental Fund for the Relief of the non Commissioned Officers and Privates of the said Regiment in time of Sickness and Infirmity:- and also Major Hankin's acknowledgement of the honor done him by the Bank, and the thanks of the Regiment for the Donation received by them.-

Report of Trials and Convictions &c.ª Spring assizes 1812.-

Mr. Kaye laid before the Committee the following List of Offenders Tried at the Spring Assizes 1812, and at the ensuing Sessions at the Old Bailey,- and also Submitted the Names of the Persons entitled to Rewards for their exertions in detecting the said Prisoners.-

1812	Circuit	Prisoners.-	Conv.d Cap.l	Conv.d lesser offce	Acq.t	Persons claim.g Rewards.	Rewards
Mar. 2	Winchester	Julien Dubois	—			David Lazarus	£ 20
						John Ja.s Hyde	20
12	Stafford	Job Jones		—		James London	10
						Thomas Pearsel	20
16	Maidstone	Wm. Leman	—			Robert Wier	50
"	"	C. F. Rouelle	—			Wm. Cæsar Bray	50
"	"	H.y De Rochemont			—	Thomas Lovel	20
"	"	Francis Adam	—			John Brothers	20
"	"	Rob.t Dolliver	—			Robert Needham	25
"	"	Eph.m Franklin	—			Lieut.t Campbell	50.
"	"					In.o Perry & R.t Well £20 ea	40.
"	"					David Mead	25.
"	"					Francis Mead	10.
"	"					Thomas Turner	10.
"	"	Aug.t Duboille			—	Alex.r Mayers	10.
"	"					John Martin	10.
"	"	John Farrell		—		Norah Cully, Rob.t Booth, Ja.s Howard, Wm. Webber & James Swaine £10 each	50.
"						Cont.d Over	£ 440.

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1812	Circuit &c.	Prisoners.	Conv: Cap. Of	Conv: lefser	Acq:	Persons claiming Rewards.	Remards
							£440.
Mar. 16	Exeter	Fred: K. Lastigue	—			Letter of Thanks	
	"	John Ricel		—		to be sent to	
	"	Lawr: & Lynch	—			Capt: Colgreave	
19	Derby	Wm. Tomlinson		—		Joseph Nadin	£ 25.
	"	"				Wm. Hopkinson	25.
21	Lancaster	Rd. Dougherty			—		"
	"	Eliz: Dewhurst			—		"
	"	John Wright	Trial put off by the prisoner				"
"	"	Marg: Cunningham	—			Cath: Hughes	20
	"					20 Officers £10 ea	20
	"	Tho: Rawstone		—		Wm. Shakeshaft	20
	"					Wm. King	10
	"					Mr. Houghton	20
	"	Martha Entwistle	—			Tho: Kaye	40
26	Launceston					— Hall	10
	"	Pierre La Roche	—			Lieut: Decourdeux	21
	"					Ensign Winterbotm	21
30	Kingstone	Wm. Sutton			—		"
	"	Jere: Butler		—		John Wilson	10
	"					and: Jasmore	10
"	Warwick	Sus: Mason			—		"
Apl.	Old Bailey	Tho: Flannagan	—			Police Officers	50
	"	Geo: Smith	—			Peter Fisk	20
	"	Sar: Wheeler			—	— Lee	20
	"						"
						£	792.

£792, recomm: to the Gov: to be paid as rewards. ee

Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Governor to Order Seven Hundred and Ninety two Pounds to be paid to Mr. Kaye for distribution amongst the several persons entitled to Rewards for their Services in the detection and apprehension of the above Offenders.

At

Lieut. Tytes — Services considered

Appearing to the Committee that Lieutenant Robert Tyte, the Commander of His Majesty's Ship Glory had been incessant in his endeavors to prevent Forgeries on the Bank, and had concerted and directed plans for the detection of the French Prisoners engaged in the Traffick, and had personally assisted in their actual apprehension. —

Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Governor to Order a Piece of Plate of the Value of Sixty Guineas, to be presented to Lieut.t Tyte as an acknowledgement for his Services, and that the following Inscription be engraved thereon. — Viz.t —

Piece of Plate — recommended to be presented to him of the Value of 60 Guineas. —

Inscription. —

"Presented by the Governor, Deputy Gov.r
"and Directors of the Bank of England
"to Robert Tyte Esq.r Commander of His
"Majesty's Ship Glory as a Mark of
"their approbation of the Services
"rendered by him to the Public and
"the Bank, in the detection of French
"Prisoners Concerned in the fabrication
"and Circulation of Forged Bank
"Notes." —

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be required to pay his Debt, on the original Contract. –

Geo: Donadieu's Balce of £19.15.–

A Letter was read from George Donadieu of Temple Place Blackfriars Road, Stating his inability to pay £19.15.– being the Balance of a Collateral Bill given by him for John Brown. –

Payment to be enforced

Ordered,

That the Solicitor be directed to proceed against him for Payment. –

Jnº Shoel & John Solomons applicatn respect. forged Notes recd. from Thº. Flannagan

Letters were read from John Shoel of Hounsditch, and John Solomons of West Smithfield, Cloaths Shopkeepers, Stating the loss sustained by the forged Notes received of Thº. Flannagan, – and Soliciting some remuneration, for their losses and their Services in the detection of the said Offender. –

Resolved,

not Complied with. –

That their applications be not Complied with. –

Isº. Nowlands application. –

Application by Letter was made by Isaac Nowland a prisoner in Newgate, for uttering Forged Notes Soliciting to be permitted to plead Guilty

to

to the lesser Offence, he be Ordered to be prosecuted for the Capital Charge. —
And it appearing to the Committee by the representation of Mr. Kaye that he is not so criminal as at first Suspected he being Drawn into the Offence by the the person who informed against him. —

Ordered,

That the said Isaac Nowland be permitted to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence Should it meet with the approbation of the Judge. —

Is. Nowland to be at liberty to plead to lesser Offence. —

The Depositions taken against the following persons were laid before the Committee by Mr. Kaye. — viz.

Mary Davis alias Best, apprehended in London for uttering Forged Bank Notes. —

Mary Davis to be prosecuted for utg. forged Notes. —

Ordered,

To be prosecuted, with leave to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. —

to plead to lesser Offence. —

Edward Williams apprehended in London, and Mary Marshall at Leeds for uttering Counterfeited Tokens. —

Edw. Williams for utter. Counterf. Tokens. — also Mary Marshall. —

Ordered,

That they be prosecuted. —

To be prosecuted. —

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Committee for Law Suits

29th April. – 1812.

Present

Mr. Maitland.

Mr. Davidson Mr. Drewe.

The proceedings of the last Comm.ee were Read.–

Jn.o Kay's applic.n for sundry Bills p.d to be delivered up.–

A Letter was read from John Kay, Stating his having made a further payment of £800 on his Bond, making the total Sum liquidated, £2,962. 3. 3 and requesting that his Bills amounting to £2825. 13. – might be delivered up to him.–

Resolved

That the said application be complied with.–

complied with.–

Messrs.rs Reynolds & Co.s applic.n for indulg.ce

Read a Letter dated 23.d Inst.t from Messrs.rs Reynolds & Wright, Stating that in consequence of the Failure of Messrs.rs Living & Co.r and Messrs.rs J. & R. Maddock they are not able at present to take up the Bills at the Bank running upon them, – and requesting indulgence to be allowed them until the result of the Statement of their affairs which is now preparing can be ascertained.–

amt. with £20.396
Upon. – 10.356

Consideration postponed.–

Cons.n postponed

Jas. Shoobert's further proposal.—

A Letter was read from James Shoobert, Dated 23d. Inst. enclosing a Bill for £36. 6.— Drawn on D. Ellis of Cloth Fair, Dated 25th. Inst. at 4 Months Date, and promising to make Two further Payments by Thursday next.—

Cons. Postponed.—

The Consideration postponed.—

Thos. Turner, Jno. Martin & William Gifford's applic. for rew. for detect. forgeries on Board Ship Glory.—

A Letter was read from Thos. Turner, Serg. of Marines on Board H. M. Prison Ship Glory, Stating his Disappointm. on receiving only £10 for his Services in detecting Forgeries of Bank Notes, by the Prisoners (friend) when two of the Privates under him rec. £20 each.— Also two Letters were read from John Martin, Carpenter and Wm. Gifford Gunner, Stating their disappointment at not receiving any Donation for their Services.

Directions to the Solicitor to write to the Commanding Officer.—

The Committee on Consulting Mr. Kaye as to the Report made by him of the Merits of the Crew of the said Ship, Directed him to write to Lieut. Tyte the Commanding Officer, and acquaint him that according to the Report made, the Committee had Ordered such Rewards as appeared due for the Services of the Persons Concerned in the Detection of the Prisoners lately Convicted for Forging of Bank Notes &c. and that £10. had been Ordered to be paid to Jno. Martin at the same time as the others.— application

Fra.s M.cGowran's applicat.n respect.g forged Notes rec.d from Tho.s Flannagan.

Application was made by Letter from Francis M.cGowran of Catharine St. Strand, Victualler, stating that he had taken 2 Forged Notes of Tho.s Flannagan amounting to £15, and praying same remuneration for the said loss and for his Services in detecting the Offender.

Resolved. That the said applicat.n be not complied with.—

Investigators Bills recommended to be paid.

Resolved. That the following Accounts of Disbursements &c.a be recommended to the Governor to be paid.— Viz.t—

✓	Tho.s Glover, Disbursem.ts for March	£ 34..1..3
	" Extra attend.ce 338.ds 22 Nights	28..17..6
		£ 63..18..9
✓	John Lees, Disbursem.ts for March	£ 7..13..0
	" Extra attend.ce 238.ds 16 Nights	20..9..6
		£ 28..2..6
✓	Rob.t Fish, Disbursem.ts for Mch.	£ 10..6..2
	" Extra attend.ce 218.ds 10 Nights	17..17..0
		£ 28..3..2
✓	Cha.s Christmas, Disbursem.ts for Mch	£ 11..9..0
	" Extra attend.ce 31 Days 4 Hours	16..12..6
		£ 28..1..6

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Committee for Law Suits.
on Wednesday the 6th May 1812.

Present.
Mr. Maitland,
Mr. Drewe, Mr. Davidson.

The Proceedings of the last Comm.ee were read.

Lieut.t Syte's Lre of Thanks &c.a

A Letter was read from Lieut.t Syte dated 1st Inst.t stating his concern at the Conduct of the persons on Board the Ship Glory under his Command, for making application to the Bank for some remuneration for their Servies, and returning his Thanks to the Governors and Directors for their extreme liberality.

To be delivered to the Governor.

Resolved, That the said Letter be delivered to the Governor for perusal.

Thos.s Urwicks propl. to pay by 3 Instalmts

An Agreement entered into at a Meeting of Mr. Thomas Urwicks Crs on the 30th Ult.o was laid before the Comm.ee viz.t That 6/8d in the pound be paid in 6 Months from 30th Ult.o 6/8d in the pound at 12 Mths both Instalments without Interest, and 6/8d in the pound bearing Interest of 5 per Cent in 18 Months; — but the said Agreement to be Null and Void unless the whole of Mr. Urwicks Creditors assent to the

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the said proposition.—

Resolved, That upon the whole of Mr. Unwick's Creditors acceding to the said agreement, and on his obtaining the Consent of all the parties on the Bills held by the Bank, the same will be acceded to.—

• Jn°. Macdonald & Mary Kelly.— witnesses against Dogherty.— attacked and Wounded by 3 persons for giving Evidence.—

Read a Letter from Jos.h Nadin Deputy Constable at Manchester, dated 3.d Instant, stating that a desperate outrage had been committed against John Macdonald and Mary Kelly the two Witnesses against Dogherty by three Men who had nearly killed them,— and requesting to be informed whether the Bank will prosecute the said Offenders, should they be apprehended.—

£100 reward to be advertised for appr.n of the Offenders.—

Mr. Kaye was directed to draw up an advertisement for their apprehens.n offering a Reward of £100 on their Conviction, and to request the Magistrate to cause the same to be posted up throughout the Country to be made as Public as possible.—

Rob.t Dolliver's applic.n for allow.ce

Read a Letter from Robert Dolliver, Soliciting the Bank to grant him the allowance of 5/- a Week, which he was indulged with previous to his Trial

not Complied with

and

and which being taken off he was only since allowed 2/6 per Week.-
Resolved.
That the said application be not Complied with.-

Ja.s Shoobert's app.n for Indulg.ce for a few Days.-

Read a Letter from James Shoobert requesting the Bank not to proceed against him for payment of the Balance Due, as in a few Days he should be enabled to settle it.-
The Consideration postponed.-

cons.n postponed.-

John Boyce & Edw.d Brown's app.n for remuneration for Bank Notes Rec.d from Tho.s Flannagan.

Application by Letter was made by John Boyce of Broad Street Bloomsbury, Victualler, and also from Edw.d Brown of Drury Lane Victualler they having received forged Notes from Thomas Flannagan and Soliciting to be remunerated for the loses and Services in detecting the Offender.-
Resolved
That the applications of John Boyce and Edward Brown be not Complied with.-

not Complied with

Ann Smith & Ann Mitchell for utter.g Counterf.d Tokens.-

The Committee on examination of the Depositions taken against Ann Smith and Ann Mitchell, for utter.g Counterfeited Tokens near Birmingham
Ordered.
That they be discharged from Custody, there not appearing Evidence sufficient against them to Convict.-

to be discharged from Custody.-

M.r Cox

Mr. Cox reported that he had made application to the following persons for further payments on their Notes but without effect. - Viz.

J. D. Hume, - Seymour Huffam J. E. Willoughby Robt. Cowie. -

J. D. Hume, £250, - and Seymour Huffam, Gregory & Co. & J. E. Willoughby £83. 6. 8 each, - Sureties for Simon Cock.

Robert Cowie £250. Surety for Messrs. Hunters Rainey & Co. -

to be written to for payment. -

Ordered, That Mr. Kaye be directed to write to the above persons to make immediate payments. -

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Committee for Law Suits
13th May 1812.

Present

Mr. Harman, Mr. Davidson,
Mr. Maitland, Mr. Drewe.

The proceedings of the last Comm. were read.

Messrs. J. Schmidtmeyer & Co. arrangement with their Creditors agreed to.

On reading a Letter from Messrs. J. Schmidtmeyer & Co. dated 8th May. stating that their other Creditors have agreed to an Arrangement made with them that the Interest and Charges are to be added to the last Payment, and that on the 15th September next the Payment of 10/- in the Pound would be completed, therefore request the Bank to grant them the like indulgence

Resolved, That the above application be acceded to.

Seymour Huffam & T. E. Willoughby's applic.n for indulg.e of time.

Letters were read from Mr. Seymour Huffam and T. E. Willoughby stating it to be out of their Power to pay the Instalment Due on their Notes, as Securities for Simon Cock, immediately, and requesting that some indulgence may be granted to them in order to enable them to make arrangements with Mr. Cock — Also a Letter was read from

from Simon Cock Stating the Cause which prevented him from discharging the whole Debt, and intreating the Bank not to use harsh Measures towards his Sureties, as it would at present only increase the difficulty in discharging the liability on his account. –

Ordered That the Solicitor be directed to write to Mr. Seymour Muffam and T. E. Willoughby and acquaint them that their application cannot be complied with, but if they will make some proposal to pay at certain periods and give Security, the same will be taken into Consideration. –

Geo: Miller apprehd. on Susp.n of Forgery in Transfer of £200 Stock, in Red.d Annt.s

Mr. Kaye Reported that a Forgery had been Committed in the Transfer Books of the £3 p.r Ct. Red.d Annuities on the 17.th April 1807, by the Sale of £200 Stock, which was in the Joint Names of George Miller of Maidstone Kent Coach Maker and Rob.t Brisenden of the same place Grocer, which has recently been detected, and the said George Miller being now in Custody for the same,

Resolved,

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Resolved,

That George Miller be prosecuted and that it be recommended to the Governor to Order the £200 3 pr Cent Reduced Stock to be replaced, to enable Robert Brisenden whose Name has been Forged to be admitted a Witness.—

Gen. Miller to be prosecuted.—

£200 to be replaced.

Mr. Cox laid before the Comee the following Applications.—

Messrs Living Downes & Co.— of Prescott Street, Merchants, Discounters &c. of Sundry Bills amounting to about £14,855.— Their Creditors having agreed to grant them a Letter of Licence to collect in their Effects for a period of 18 Months under the Inspection of Messrs Wackerbath Weatheral & Stonehouse; and in Case the Estate Should not pay 20/- in the Pound at the end of 18 Months an Assignment of what may remain outstanding be made to the Inspectors for the General benifit of the Creditors, and Messrs Living Downes & Co. to have a Release,— requesting the Compliance of the Bank to Said agreement.—

Living Downes & Co. agreem.t with their Creditors.

The Committee on examinat.n of the Bills Discounted by them, Desired the

Bills Discounted by them examined & Coms.n Deferred.—

consideration, and directed Mr. Kaye to meet Messrs. Irving &c. and enquire of them respecting the Drawers and Indorsers of the said Bills being — apprehensive that many of the Names were fictitious. —

B & R. Maddock's applicn. for extension of time. —

Messrs. B. & R. Maddock, Discounters &c. of Sundry Bills amounting to about £15,640. — Their Creditors being of Opinion that it would be beneficial not to press the immediate payment of the Debts, have agreed to grant them an extension of time for the liquidation of their engagements under the Inspection of Messrs. Hunt Boulcott, Batten, Weatherall & Wanhouse, to which arrangement they request the Bank will accede. —

Consn. postponed. —

The Consideration postponed. —

Assignees of T. G. Richmond, applicn. for Bank's Consent to Sale of his Premises. —

The Assignees of Mr. T. G. Richmond a Bankrupt, having Sold his Premises by Public Auction for the Sum of £9000 they request the Consent of the Bank the other Creditors having agreed thereto

Consent to be Signed —

Ordered, That the Secretary be authorised to Sign the same. —

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Thos. Palmers Assignees applic.ᵗ for Signature to his Certificate.

The Assignees of Thomas Palmer of Wood Street, Bankrupt, Acceptor of Sundry Bills amounting to £2234.5.0 request of the Bank to Sign the Certificate of the said Bankrupt, his Evidence being required in some Actions at Law, but no Dividends have been received from the Estate.—

Resolved,

That the said applicat.ⁿ be rejected.—

rejected.—

Ordered,

Jas. Shoobert, his Consent req.ᵈ to Compos.ⁿ proposed by Maund & Hc. — not to pay their Bills

That Mr. Kaye be directed to write to Mr. Shoobert for his Consent to the Banks acceding to the Composition proposed by Messrs. Maund & Hickson and James Maund of King Street Covent Garden, Mercers, or to require him to pay their two Bills of acceptance.—

Wm. Masson to be written to.—

That Mr. Kaye be directed to write to William Masson for a further payment on account of his Note.—

Alex.r Oswald & Co.

Vander Aa & Co.

That Mr. Kaye be directed to write to Alex.r Oswald & Co. of Dean Street Soho, Army Clothier to pay their Accept.ce for £1000. and also to Vander Aa & Co. of Water Lane for their Acceptance for £829.8.0.—

That

Robert Cowie required to pay Instt. by 19 May

Ordered. That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Robert Cowie that unless he makes payment of £250 on account of his Security for Messrs. Hunters Rainey & Co. on or before the 19th. Instant, Paymt. will be enforced without further Notice.

Mary Canvins petit. to Stay Prosecn. agt. her.

On reading a petition from Mary Canvin (who was ordered to be prosecuted by the Committee on the 29th. January last for uttering a Counterfeited Token of 3/-) praying the Bank to cause the Prosecution against her to be Stayed, She having received the said Token from her Husband, who as soon as She was taken into Custody deserted her and four Children, and proceeded into the Country with another Woman who were afterwards both Convicted at the Quarter Sessions at Rochester for uttering Counterfeited Tokens.—

Complied with.—

Resolved. That the said petition be complied with, and that the Solicitor be directed to discharge the said Mary Canvin out of Custody.—

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The Examinations taken against the following persons were laid before the Committee by the Solicitor.—

Jas. Whitehouse appr.d for utt.g 1/6 Count.d Tokens

James Whitehouse apprehended at Leeds, for uttering, and also having in his possession a Quantity of Counterfeited Tokens of 1/6 each.—

To be prosecuted.—

Thos. Bradley & Jno. Normington to be detained as Witnesses

Thos.d Bradley apprehended at Burnley Lancashire and Jno. Normington at Bilstone Yorkshire for utter.g sd. Tokens.—

Ordered, That James Whitehouse be prosecuted, and Thos. Bradley and Jno. Normington to be detained as Witnesses.—

Cathe. Davis for utt.g a Fleet Note.—

Cathe. Davis apprehended in London for uttering a Fleet One penny Note (with the Word One in White Letters on a Black Ground) for a One pound Bank Note.—

to be prosecuted.—

Ordered. To be prosecuted.—

Disbursements of Investigators.—

The following Accounts of Disburs.ts &c.a were examined.—Viz.t

Thos. Glover.—

Thos. Glover Disbursem.ts for Appl. £ 17.. 6.. 6
. Extra attend.ce 20 Days ——— 10.. 10.. 0
£ 27.. 16.. 6

John

Jn.o Lees.—Disbursem.ts

John Lees, Disbursem.ts for Apl. £ 30..10..4
Extra attend.ce 18 D.ys 8 Nights ..... £ 13..13..0
£ 44..3..4

Rob.t Fish Do.

Robert Fish, Disbursem.ts for Apl. £ 5..11..3
Extra attend.ce 19 Days ..... £ 9..19..6
£ 15..10..9

Ch.s Christmas Do.—

Charles Christmas, Disbursem.ts Apl. £ 12..14..3
Extra attend.ce 26 Days ..... £ 13..13..0
£ 26..7..3

Edw.d Cocks— Do.

Edw.d Cocks, Disb.ts for Feb.y Mch & Apl. £ 12..9..6
Extra attend.ce 66 Days ..... £ 34..13..0
£ 47..2..6

Rob.t Milton Do.—

Rob.t Milton, Disb.ts Feb.y Mch & Apl. £ 16..15..0
Extra attendance 63 Days ..... £ 33..1..6
£ 49..16..6

Jn.o Warwick Do.—

John Warwick, Disb.ts Feb.y Mch & Apl. £ 9..16..1
Extra attend.ce 53 Days ..... £ 27..16..6
£ 37..12..7

Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Governor to Order payment of the above Accounts.

Recommended to to be paid.—

Committee for Law Suits,
20th May 1812.

Present:-
Mr. Harman, Mr. Drewe,
Mr. Maitland, Mr. Davidson.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

I. D. Hume's applic.n for a Short indulgence

A Letter was read from Mr. I. D. Hume dated the 19th Inst. stating his expectation of receiving ample Funds to discharge the claim which the Bank has against him very shortly, therefore request Indulgence for a short Period.

Consn. postponed

The Consideration was postponed.

Ja.s De Orusina proposal to make over Staves in his possn. as Security.

Read a Letter from Ja.s De Orusina, dated 20th May 1812, stating that he held in his possession a Quantity of Staves as Security for payment of two Bills Drawn on him by Tho.s Com & Co. who have failed viz. £2689 due 16th Inst. and £1932. 3. 0 Due 20th June next, and proposing to make over the Staves in any way agreeable to the Bank as a Security for payment of the said Bills, to be sold and the produce applied to discharge them.

Ordered,

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Ordered

That the Solicitor be directed to apply to Mr. Isd. De Drusina to know what other Security he had to propose, for payment of his Bills.—

T. E. Willoughby's applicn. for time till 2d Day.—

Read a Letter from T. E. Willoughby dated 15th. Instt. Stating that he should be prepared to pay the Instalmt. due on his Note for Simon Cock by next Quarter Day, when he should receive his Salary at the Custom House, and that he had no other Security to Offer but his Household Furniture.—

Consn. postponed.

The Consideration was postponed.

Robt. Cowie applicn. to be allowed till 4th June.—

Read a Letter from Robert Cowie Dated the 19th. Instt. requesting to be allowed till 4th. June next to pay the Instal. due on his Note, for Hunters Rainey & Co. not having received a Shilling from the Counter Security.—

Resolved

That the said application be Complied with.—

Complied with.—

Wm. Massen applicn. respecting his joint Note with Thomas Edwards.

On reading a Letter from William Massen dated 20th Instant, stating that he should pay the £250 on account of his Note of £2500 immediately, and explained the Situation he was placed in by Thos. Edwards being a Bankrupt, having placed in his Hands a Policy of Insurance for £7,500, on a Vessel which has been Missing upwds of 15 Months, with a Letter from him authorising any person to recover the above loss or to the amount of his acceptance for £2500 with the Bank, and should the Underwriters refuse settling the loss without the authority of the Bank, hoped to have such assistance.—

required to pay both Notes.

Resolved. That Mr. Kaye be directed to acquaint Mr. Massen the Bank cannot interfere with the Claim on the Policy of Insurance alluded to in his Letter, but will require of him to make the payment on the joint Notes of T. Edwards and himself, and desire to be informed in what manner he will do the same.—

Messrs. Living & Co. to bring Report respecting his Acctr. with them.

Mr. Kaye reported that he had seen Messrs. Living & Co. respecting the

Names

Names of the Drawers and Indorsers of a great part of the Bills Discounted by them, which were suspected of being Fictitious, and that they refused to make them known, stating that they were bound in Honor by a promise not to disclose them. —

The Committee proceeded on a further investigation of the several Bills, and determined on the following Report to be made to the Court of Directors. —

Report to the Court respecting Bills having fictitious Signatures

That having investigated the several Bills which have been Discounted by the Houses of Messrs. Irving, Downes & Co., of Prescott Street Merchts. Messrs. Reynolds & Wright of Idol Lane, Wine Merchts. Messrs. Barry & Wilkinson of Mincing Lane Merchts. & Messrs. W & R. Maddock, of Rosemary Lane Timber Merchants, — The Committee have discovered that a great part of the same are either Drawn or Indorsed in Fictitious Names, and it is therefore Submitted to the Court, the Propriety of Prosecuting the Fabricators of the Bills for the same. —

Mr.

Js.ª Nowland, Convd. lesser Offence

Mr. Kaye reported that Js.ª Nowland was Convicted for having Forged Notes in his possession, - and Mary Best whom the Committee had given permission to plead Guilty to the same Offence, had refused so to Do, and was therefore Capitally Convicted, That the Police Officers who detected and apprehended the said Offenders were entitled to some Reward for their Zeal and Vigilence. -

Mary Best &c. Capitally

Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Governor to Order, that One Hundred pounds be paid to Mr. Kaye to distribute amongst the Police Officers, for their Services in detecting and apprehending the said Prisoners. -

£100. rewards to police Officers for apprehg. them.

A Petition was read from John Thomas, a Prisoner in Maidstone Gaol for uttering Forged Bank Notes on Board the Prison Ship Glory, praying some allowance to be granted him in addition to the Goal allowance, during his Confinement. -

Jn.º Thomas, - petition for addl. allow.ª in Prison

The said Petition was referred to Mr. Kaye to report upon. -

referred to Mr. Kaye

The

Thos. & Sus.a Shepherd — apprehd. for uttg. Counterf. Tokens. —

The Depositions taken against Thomas and Susan Shepherd, apprehd. at Saxelby Lincolnshire for uttering 3/- Counterfeited Tokens. —

Ordered, That Thomas Shepherd be prosecuted. —

Thos. Shepherd to be prosed.

Hu. Waddle & Eliz.th Todd apprehd. for utterg. 1/6d counterf.d Tokens. —

Hugh Waddle and Elix.th Todd apprehended at Whitehaven for uttering Counterfeited Tokens of 1/6d. —

the Case Defd. —

The Consideration deferred 'till the Solicitor has obtained further particulars. —

Landon & Child's applicn. to pay their acceptces by Instalmts.

Messrs. Landon & Child of Billiter Lane Cyder Merchants, Acceptors of 31 Bills amounting to £2955.18.3 request of the Bank to receive Payment by Instalments at 3, 6, 9 & 12 Months with Interest, to which Terms their other Creditors have Agreed. —

acceded to. —

Resolved, That the said application be acceded to on their obtaining the usual Consents. —

Geo. Brown's applcn. for 4 Mths. Indulgce. —

George Brown, of Bond Street Oilman Acceptor of a Bill for £187.4. — requests the Indulgence of 4 Months for Paymt. and proposed Messrs. Wm. Stewart, Jas. Oldfield & Jno. Rogers & Sons acceptces for the same. —

acceded to. —

Acceded to. —

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Committee for Law Suits.
25th. May. – 1812.–

Present
Mr. Harman
Mr. Drewe Mr. Davidson

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.–

The Secretary laid before the Comm.ee the following Resolutions of the Court of Directors of this Day.– Viz.t–

Resolutions of the Court resp.g the Fabricators of fictit.s Bills.–

"Resolved,

"That this Court do "entirely concur with the Committee "of Law Suits in the Propriety of "prosecuting the Fabricators of the "fictitious Bills mentioned in their "Report."

"Resolved,"

"That the Mode of carrying "on this Prosecution be referred to the "Committee, requesting them to select "such Cases, after conferring with the "Solicitor of the Bank, as may appear "to them expedient.–

The Committee sent for Mr Raye and Consulted with him respect.g the Mode to be pursued and examined the several Bills alluded to.– and.

Solicitors to make enquiry of their Agents respecting the Firms of E. Collier & Co. and ors

Resolved,

That the Solicitors be directed to apply to their Agents at Plym^o. and Manchester in the most private manner possible, to obtain information whether any such persons as E Collier & Co. of Plymouth or Thomas Spears & Co. of Manchester, reside or have resided in those Towns, - and to transmit them Copies of the 3 Bills which are Overdue, and Drawn in the said Names, and to Report to the Committee the result of their enquiries. -

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Committee for Law Suits

26th May 1812

Present:-

Mr. Harman,

Mr. Drewe, Mr. Davidson.-

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.--

Jos.h Whitford of Plym.o ans.d resp.g E. Collier & Co. and L. Smith

Mr. Kaye laid before the Comm.ee a Letter which he had received from Mr. Jos.h Whiteford of Plymouth in answer to his application respecting the names on the Bills Discounted by Mess.rs Loving & Co.- from which it appeared that there never had been any person or persons of the Firm of E. Collier & Co. or L. Smith either residing in the Town of Plym.o or its Neighbourhood.-

Do. from Mess.rs Milne & Co. of Manchester resp.g Tho.s Sears & Co. and G. Lomas.-

Also a Letter from Mess.rs Milne Sergeant & Milne of Manchester Solicitors, respecting the Firms of Tho.s Sears & Co. and G. Lomas & Co. stating that no such Firms were in existence there at present, That about 20 years ago, there was a Firm of G. Lomas & Co. but after G. Lomas died, his Sons carried on the

Business

Business under the Firm of W.m Lomas & Co.n or W.m & G.e Lomas, and that they had not the smallest doubt of the Firms of G.e Lomas & Co.n and Thos. Sears & Co.n on the Bills being fictitious.-

Sr A.r Piggott to meet the Comm.ee respg the Case of Living & Co.

Resolved, That Mr. Kaye be directed to apply to Sr. Arthur Piggott, to fix a time for Consultation with this Comm.ee on the transactions of Messrs. Living & Co.n respecting the Bills Discounted by them with fictitious Names thereon.-

Boccius, Steinberg & Co.n propos.l to C.s to be relieved from Custody.-

Read a Letter from Messrs. Gatty & Co.n Solicitors to Messrs. Inglis & Co.n and the rest of the Canada Merchants who are large Creditors of Messrs. Boccius, Steinberg & Co.n - Stating that the Debt due to them is - £35,948.- and to the Bank £11,538.- upon which has been received 1/3d. in the pound.- That Mr. Boccius has been arrested by Messrs. Inglis & Co.n and he is now in Custody, - and has offered to pay £1000, to give Security for £2000, - and his own Security for £5000 upon being discharged, and the Creditors relinquishg all claim under the Deed of Trust, which was executed in 1807, - and the aforesaid Creditors are disposed to accede to the

Terms

Terms proposed Should the Bank think proper to act with them, and as the Bank and Canada Merchants are the only Os the produce to be shared equally accordg to the Amount of their Debts.-

Resolved

That the said proposal be acceded to.-

Jros. of Boccius acceded to.-

Read a Letter from Charles Moulton of St. Mary Hill, Merchant, Discounter of two Bills, - £453.- on Wm. Lunn due 23d. Inst. and £492.6.- on James Swanzys due 30th. Inst. the former having become Bankrupt, and the latter Stopped payment, - he therefore Solicits the indulgence to be allowed to pay them as follows.-

Chs. Moulton's proposal to pay 2 Bills.- at certain periods.-

The Bill on Lunny at 9 and 18 Months, - & - on Swanzys at 6, 12, 18 & 24 Months being the Agreement which J. Swanzys has entered into with his Creditors.-

Resolved. That the said application be not Complied with.-

not Complied with

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Committee for Law Suits
27th. May. — 1812.

Present.

Mr. Governor,
Mr. Dep.y Governor,
Mr. Harman Mr. Davidson.

Com.ees consultation with Sr. Ar. Piggott resp.g the Case of Messrs. Swings & Co.

The Committee met for the purpose of Consulting with Sr. Arthur Piggott, (who attended) respecting the case of Messrs. Swings & Co., and after a full Consideration.—

Resolved.

to be reported to the Court.

That Mr. Harman be requested to Report to the Court of Directors on Thursday next the the Opinion of Sir Arthur Piggott thereon.—

Ja.s De Drusina further application

Read a Letter from Ja.s De Drusina dated this Day, Stating that he has not been able to Succeed in his endeavors to procure an acceptance at a reasonable Date, as an advance on the Staves mentioned in his Letter of the 20th. Instant on account of the great Stagnat.n in that Trade at the present time, and

therefore

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therefore repeated his readiness to make over the Staves to such Person as the Bank may appt. to hold as Security for payment of the two Bills Drawn by Messrs. J. Com & Co. now in the Hands of the Bank.—

Resolved, That Mr. Kaye be directed to acquaint Jas. De Drusina that his proposal will be acceded to, on his making over to Mr. Cox the said Parcels of Staves.—

Acceded to.

Mr. Kaye laid before the Committee the Depositions taken against Mary Gibbs apprehended in Featherstone Street St. Lukes for uttering a forged Note of £1,— and Mr. Kaye stated that the Magistrate had not committed her to Prison, and only waited to know the Bank's Opinion whether to prosecute her or not.—

Mary Gibbs apprehd. for utter.g a forged Note

Resolved, That Mr. Kaye be directed to Communicate the particular Wish of the Committee to the Magistrate, that Mary Gibbs be discharged from Custody if it can be done with propriety.—

To be discharged from Custody.

John King & Wm. Reynolds for utter.g Counterfeited Tokens at Chesthunt &c.

Ordered, To be prosecuted.—

Jno. King & Wm. Reynolds to be prosecuted for utter.g Counterfeited Tokens.—

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Committee for Law Suits
3d June 1812

Present
Mr Harman
Mr Drewe Mr Davidson

The proceedings of the last Com.ee were read.

Sey.r Huffam

A Letter was read from Seymour Huffam dated 2d Instant stating his disappointment at not being able to pay the Instalment due on his acceptance, and Soliciting further indulgence of 2 Months to pay the same.

Resolved That the said applicat.n be acceded to.

allowed 2 Months

Alex.r Oswald & Co.
Solicit Indulgence.

Read a Letter from Messrs.s Alexander Oswald & Co.y dated 2d Inst.t requesting indulgence to be allowed time to bring plans to maturity which are forming to discharge debts, and which is expected at a short period, their accept.ces amount to £3000.

Resolved That Mr Kaye be directed to enquire the nature of the intended proposal

enquiry to be made.

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proposal, and what Security they may have to offer.-

Geo. Donadieu's - proposal of paying 10/- in the pound

On reading a Letter from Geo.e Donadieu, dated 1st. Instant, proposing to pay 10/- in the Pound by two equal Instalments at 4 & 8 Months, Secured on the Estate in the Hands of the Trustees.-

Resolved

complied with.

That the said proposal be complied with.-

C. Moulton's - further applic.n

Read a Letter from C. Moulton Dated 28th. Ultimo, Stating his inability to to get the Security required, and requesting the Bank to take his Acceptances for Payt. of the Bill on Wm. Lunn for £453. at 9, 12 and 18 Months,- and enclosing a Bill for £1500. drawn on Robt. Moulton Esq.r Jamaica, at 2 Years after Sight, accepted 30th. June 1811, payble on the Royal Exchange London, to be kept as a Collateral Security.-

Resolved,

acceded to..

That the application of Mr. Moulton be acceded to.-

Maxwell & Dixon offer a Composition of 10/- in the pound.

Messrs. Maxwell & Dixon of Thames Street, Bottle Merchants, Discounters and Acceptors of Sundry Bills amounting to £3221. 11.- Solicit the Bank to accept of a Composition of 10/- in the Pound

at

at 7. 12 and 14 Months with Security to which terms their other Creditors have agreed.—

Resolved, That the proposal of Messrs Maxwell & Dixon be agreed to on their obtaining the usual Consents.—

Milner & Chaplin Crs agreemt. to give them a Release on paying 11/- in the pound.—

Messrs. Milner & Chaplin of Ironmonger Lane Warehousemen.— acceptors of 2 Bills amounting to— £1,932.7.0 their Creditors have agreed to grant them a Release on their making good payments to the amount of 11/- in the Pound. 9/- of which has been already paid, to which arrangement they request the Concurrence of the Bank.—

agreed to.—

Resolved, That the above arrangemt. be agreed to, on Messrs. Milner &c. obtaining the usual Consents.—

Thos. Sumner to be written to for Payt. of his Acceptances

Ordered, That the Solicitor be directed to write to, Thos. Sumner of Adams Court Broad, for payment of his Acceptances amounting to £3,860.—

Messrs.—

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Reynolds & Wrights proposal to assign their Effects in Trust

Messrs. Reynolds & Wright of Idol Lane, Wine Merchants, Discounters and Acceptors of Sundry Bills amounting to £18,775.– their Creditors have agreed to their assigning the Property in Trust to Messrs. Rd. Jones, Thos. Morris and Mr. Barton.– also

Joseph Reynolds do.

Joseph Reynolds, as Acceptor and Indorser of Sundry Bills amounting to £6,702.5.10, his Creditors having agreed to an Assignment of his Property being made to Messrs. Richd. Jones, Mr. Webb of Craven Street and George Bridges.– to which arrangement they solicit the Bank to accede to.–

Consn. Deferred.–

Resolved, That the Consideration be deferred.–

Hugh Waddle & Elizt. Todd &c respect. Tokens uttered by them

Mr. Kaye laid before the Committee a Letter he had received from the Magistrates at Whitehaven, explaing the particulars respecting the Tokens uttered by Hugh Waddle and Elizab. Todd being Identified.–

H. Waddle to be prosecuted.–

Ordered, That Hugh Waddle be prosecuted.–

Thos. Leathad, Do.–

Ordered, That Thos. Leathad for utg. Counterfeited Tokens at Whitehaven be prosecuted.–

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Committee for Law Suits

10th June 1812.-

Present.-

Mr. Harman

Mr. Maitland Mr. Drewe.-

The proceedings of the last Comme were read.-

Em.l Lyon & Son's applic.n acceded to.-

Messrs. Gregson & Co. Solicitors to the Trustees of Messrs. Emanuel Lyon & Son, informed the Committee, that they had an offer for the Purchase of the Premises in Moffatt Street by Private Contract for £1300, which the Trustees are of Opinion, is as much as can be obtained for them, and requesting to know if the Bank would accede to the same.-

Resolved,

That the same be acceded to.-

Rob.t Cowie to pay the Instalm.t due immediately

Ordered

That the Solicitor be directed to write to Rob.t Cowie, and acquaint him, that unless the Instalm.t due on his Note is immediately paid, the payment on the whole Debt will be enforced, - without further Notice.

Read

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Messrs. Lush & Co's — applic.n to waive the Bond in Judgement.

Read a Letter from Mr Boville Solicitor to Messrs. Lush & Co. dated 6th Inst. stating that in addition to the £500 already paid they will pay £200 Monthly, — and requesting the Bank to waive the Bond of Judgement required, as in the event of it's being insisted upon, they will feel it necessary to lay the fact before the principal Creditors, who it is probable would take harsh Measures against them. —

complied with

Resolved,

That the above application be complied with. —

May & Alewyn's agreem.t with their Cr.s

Read a Letter from Messrs. Gregson & Co. enclosing an Agreement entered into by the Creditors of Messrs. May & Alewyn being holders of Bills Drawn on them by Mr. Chas. Chailly of Heligoland with Chas. Chailly. — The Bank being holders of some of the said Bills, and as Creditors of this Class therefore Solicit the Bank to Consent to said Agreement in Order that Charles Chailly may be induced immediately to deliver up the Property in his Hands. —

Cons.n Deferred. —

Ordered

That the Solicitor be directed to obtain further information respecting the said Agreement, and Report the Result.

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Messrs. Fraser & Mole's application respecting a Bill of £500 on Robertson & Stein.

Read a Letter from Jno. Pitcairne Solicitor on behalf of Messrs. Fraser & Mole of Aberdeen, holders and Proprietors of a Bill drawn by John Paterson at Edinburgh on Robertson & Stein for £500. Due 25th. Jany. 1801, in favor of G & W. Mole, and was proved by the Bank on Robertson Hers Estate. - therefore Soliciting an Assignment of the Bank's proof to enable them to receive the Dividend from the said Estate, the said Bill being retired by Messrs. Fraser & Mole's. -

G & W. Moles Assignees application for the same. -

A Letter was also read from Messrs. Chas. Hill & John Mark. - Assignees of Geo. & Wm. Mole making a like application for the same Bill.

Ordered

That Mr. Kaye be directed to acquaint the above Parties, that the Bank will expunge their Proof in regard to the said Bill. -

to be informed the Bank's proof thereon will be expunged. -

Geo. Gardners Forgery of Messrs. Downers Hs. accepts. reported

Mr Cox reported that Messrs. Downer & Sanders of Fleet Street, had informed him that a Bill Drawn by Geo. Gardiner upon them for £1175.10.6 Due this Day, and purporting to be accepted by them, is not their Acceptance,

and

and that they had been informed that Geo. Gardiner was endeavouring to leave the Kingdom. -

£100 Reward to be advertised for George Gardiner's apprehens.n

Ordered, That the Solicitor be directed to take such means as may be expedient for the Apprehension of the said George Gardiner, - and if he finds that he has absconded, to offer a Reward of One Hundred Pounds for his apprehension.

Mr. Kaye informed the Comee. that he had written to Messrs. Oswald & Co. agreeably to the Order of the Comee. of the 3d. Instant, but no answer had been received from them. -

Mr. Kayes Report on Oswald & Co.

Ordered, That the Solicitor be directed to inform Messrs. Oswald & Co. that unless some proposal is made on or before Wednesday next, payment of their Bill will be enforced without further notice.

Oswald & Co. required to make an immed.e proposal. -

Mr. Cox laid before the Comm.ee an application from Jas. Peter Hillary, of Mark Lane Wine Merchant, Discounter of Sundry Bills amounting to £9449.16.4 requesting the Bank to accept a Composit.n of 8/- in the Pound, - 6/- of which to

J. P. Hillary's proposal of a Compos.n of 8/- in the pound - acceded to. -

be

be guaranteed by Simon Fraser & Co. payable on the 1st. Sept.r and 2d. Jan.y 31st. Dec.r next, with an Assignment of a Debt of about £7000 Due from Messrs. Stimpson & Sedgwick to Wm. Timson Jr. & Rd. Noble & J. Butler to which arrangemt. his other Creditors have agreed.—

Acceded to on the usual terms.—

Mrs Stewart, proposal to give Information ag.st uttrers of Forged Notes &c.a to obtain her Husbands liberty.

Mr. Kaye reported that an application had been made by the Wife of Wm. Stewart a Prisoner on Board the Hulks, who is under Sentence of Transportat.n for uttering Forged Bank Notes, — proposing to detect a Number of Venders and Dealers in Forged Notes, and particularly Geo. Morris alias Emmeven and cause his being apprehended, on Condition of her being promised her Husbands Pardon on their Conviction.—

Resolved.

not accepted on such Condition

That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Mrs. Stewart that the Bank will not enter into any promise; but should She render any assistance in detecting the Offenders described, her Services will be Considered Accordingly.—

Mich.l Gearing's applicat.n for relief.—

A Letter was read from Mr. Gearing a Convict on Board the Hulks under Sentence of Transportation.— praying relief.—

rejected.

application rejected.—

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Ja.s Brown & Tho.s Kinsman app.d for utter.g forged Notes.

On reading the examinations taken against James Browne, and Tho.s Kinsman for uttering forged Bank Notes.

Ordered

That they be prosecuted, with liberty to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence, should it meet with the approbation of the Judge.

t. be prosecuted for lesser Offence.

Messrs Winter & Co.s Bill. Law Charges

The Committee proceeded on the Examination of Messrs Winter & Kayes Bill for Law Charges for the 1/2 Year ending the 30th. April 1812, and the follow.g Abstract was made by the Chief Accountant for their Inspection. viz.d

	No. of Prosec.s	Taki.g Instructions &c. Draw.g Papers &c.			Charges for attendance			Money advanced			Total.		
		£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Chancery	55	87	6	..	101	17	..	162	7	..	351	10	..
Exchequer	41	61	10	8	56	2	6	62	6	2	179	19	4
Common Law	10	103	10	8	48	5	..	785	6	2	937	1	10
Criminal Prosec.s	87	2541	5	4	1498	13	8	7077	2	11	11.117	1	11
Gen.l Business	..	194	132		135	6	4	92	6	3	422	5	9
		2988	5	10	1840	4	6	8179	8	6	13,007	18	10

Six Months allow.ce for a Clerk to Conduct the Registry of Wills &c.a 210 .. .. ..

13,217 .. 18 .. 10

Deduct Receipt of Money - 430 .. 11 .. 2

Bal.ce Due .. £12787 .. 7 .. 8

Resolved,

Resolved.

That the following Rept. be presented to the Court of Directors on Thursday next. –

Report on Messrs. Winter & Kaye's Bill.

That the Committee have examined Messrs. Winter & Kaye's Bill for Law Charges for Six Months to the 30th. April 1812, and have caused the Charges of which it Consists, to be divided and placed under Separate Heads, and they find.

That the Charges for Drawing the Indictments, making Copies &c.a amount to ——— £2988..5..10

For personal trouble and attendance ——— 1840..4..6

The Sums actually paid by the Solicitors ——— 8179..8..6

Salary to a Clerk to Conduct the Registry of Wills at the Bank 210..0..0

Making the Total £13217..18..10

That the Number of Prosecutions included in the present Bill are 55 Suits in Chancery, 41 Exchequer, 10 Common Law, and 87 Criminal, of which latter 14 have been Convicted for the Capital Offence, 10 for having forged Notes in their possession, 3 for uttering Promissory Notes having White Letters on a Black Ground, 53 for uttering Counterfeited Tokens and 7 have been Acquitted. –

That

That the Sum of £962 has been advanced to Mr Kaye not included in the Bill, to be distributed as Rewards &c.a amongst Sundry Persons, who were the means of detecting and apprehending the several Prisoners who have been Tried and Convicted for Offences Committed against the Bank.—

The Committee recommend that the Sum of £12,787.7.8 be paid to Messrs Winter & Kaye being the Balance of their present Bill, amounting to £13,257.18.10 but in respect to the Blank which is left, for their extraordinary Trouble in the Course of the last Two Years, in Conducting the Prosecutions against 76 Persons for Forgery.— they Submit the determination thereon to the Court of Directors, and beg leave to observe that the Sum of £525 has been given to the Solicitors every two Years for the last Ten Years.

Committee for Law Suits
17th June, — 1812.—

Present.—

Mr. Harman, Mr. Drewel,
Mr. Maitland, Mr. Davidson.—

The proceedings of the last Comm.ee were read.—

Oswald Hs. answer to application.—

Read a Letter from Messrs. Alexr. Oswald & Co. dated the 12th Instant, stating that they expected to be able to submit a proposal in the Course of the ensuing Week, or the Week following, for payment of their acceptances now held by the Bank.—

The consideration deferred.—

May & Alewyn's answer respecting their affairs.—

Mr. Kaye laid before the Com.ee Messrs. May & Alewyn's answer to the enquiries, which he was directed to make at the last meeting.— Viz.t
1st That the Total Amount of Bills upon which Mr. Chailly is liable is £13,590, including the Bills held by the Bank.—
2ndly The property to divide Consists of 440 Bags of Sugar, 40,000 lbs of Coffee, 20 Bales of Water Twist, about £600 in Cash, and some Outstanding Debts on the Continent the C— amount of which cannot be ascertained.—
3rdly The former Arrangement was exactly the same as the present, but upon being sent to Mr. Chailly for approval it was found the Release was not Sufficient and therefore the agreement was Cancelled.—

agreem.t acceded to.—

Resolved. That the S.d Agreem.t be acceded to.
Read.

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Smith, Wood & Gregory's Trustees, application for Bills of I & H. Russell to be deliv.d up.

Read a Letter from Mess.rs Joseph Sellicoe & John Smith Wells, Trustees to the Estate of Mess.rs Smith, Wood & Gregory, – Stating that they have already paid a Dividend of 5/– in the Pound upon Bills of I & H. Russell amounting to £4108.14.7 for which Bills Mess.rs Smith Wood & Co.s have received no Value, and are therefore entitled to claim upon Mess.rs Russells Estate whatever advances they have made; and being about paying a further Dividend of 3/– in the Pound, – therefore request to have such Bills of Mess.rs Russells delivered to them as amount to the Sum paid, being £1643.9.9, to establish their Claim, which cannot be done without possession of said Bills. – Resolved

Not complied with

That the Solicitors be directed to acquaint the abovementioned Trustees that their application cannot be complied with. –

Mr.r Kaye's paym.t of £5.131.17.1 for Sums rec.d Div.d Bills. –

Mr.r Kaye delivered a Draft for £5,131.17.1, for Sums received of the follow.g Persons. – Viz.t

Wm. Eastgate, on acc.t of his Composition		£160.0.0
Craig & Davis	their Bill	108.0.0
Woodgate & Sons, Bal.ce of Bill & Int.t		1290.5.2
I. – Rutt on Account		463.9.5
Mr.r Gibson, Dividend on the Scotch Estate of Bertram Gardner & Co.s		78.0.8
Laroche & Dorat on acc.t Smidtmeyer's Bills		450.–
Mr.r Blackburn, accept.ce & Interest		394.7.10
Mr.r Cowie, on Account		500.–
Mess.rs Masterman & Co.s Accept.ce & Int.t		487.14.–
John Kay. – on Account		800.–
Tuck & Sons. Do.		400.–
		£5131.17.1

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Ordered That the Draft for £5131.17.1 be delivered to Mr. Cox, that the respective accounts may be Credited for the same.

Mr. Kaye laid before the Com.ee the Depositions taken against the following Offenders.—viz.

Jn.o Barbazon for utter.g forged Bank Notes.—

John Barbazon, a private in the Roscommon Militia apprehended at Plymouth for uttering two Forged Bank Notes.—

Ordered, That he be prosecuted, with liberty to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence

to be prosecuted, lesser Offence.—

Wm. Parr for utter.g a forged Bank Note of £50 at Ramsgate

William Parr, for uttering a Forged Bank Note for £50 at Ramsgate, a Letter was also read from the Solicitor to the Treasury, Stating the Opinion of the Solicitor General and Mr. Garrow, that Mr. Gurney the Counsel, should be retained on the part of the Bank in the Case against the Sd. Prisoner, it being blended with the Charge of High Treason in which he is Concerned for the Crown, therefore cannot accept a retainer or Brief from the Prisoner in the Prosecution for Forgery.—

to be prosecuted for the Capital Offence.—

Ordered, That William Parr be prosecuted for the Capital Offence, and that the Solicitor be directed to retain Mr. Gurney on the present Case.—

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Nich.s Ed.n Longueville for Counterfeiting Bank Tokens.

Nicholas Edmond Longueville a French Prisoner in Porchester Castle, for Counterfeiting Bank Tokens. - Mr. Kaye submitted the Copy of a Letter which he proposed should be sent to the Magistrate Stating that in Case the Said Prisoner should be Prosecuted and Convicted the Sentence would only be Transportation which esteem by the Offender as a Reward instead of Punishm.t therefore recommending the Officers to confine Such Prisoners of War in Some manner, So as to render impracticable their criminal pursuits. - The same was approved.

To be prosecuted.

Ordered

That Nich.s Edm.d Longueville be prosecuted. -

Geo. Gardiner, Ltrs from Plymouth & Falmouth respect.g him. -

Mr. Kaye laid before the Committee two Letters which he had received from his Agents at Plymouth and Falmouth Stating that they could gain no Tidings of the Ship William, Capt.n Ackroyd, in which George Gardiner is endeavouring to make his Escape to America.

Jn.o Davis, Saintsbury prosr. to give Inform.n ag.st uttereres of Forged Notes on Cond.n of pardon. -

A Letter was read from John Davis Saintsbury, alias John Smith who is in Custody in the Prison Cold Bath Fields, on Suspicion of uttering a forged £10 Bank Note, proposing on being Released to give certain information against a Number of

of persons who are Utterers of Forged Notes and requesting to be admitted as Evidence against them. -

J. D. Saintsbury to be prosec.d for lesser Offence.

Ordered, That he be prosecuted for utter.g the forged £10 Note for which he is apprek.d but that he be permitted to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. -

Jn.o Thomas's appl.n for addit.l allowance.

A Letter was read from John Thomas a prisoner in Maidstone Goal, being his Second application for some addition to his Goal allowance to be granted to him. -

to be allowed 5/. pr Week. -

Resolved, That the Solicitor be directed to allow the S.d prisoner 5/ pr Week, until his Trial takes place. -

Edw.d Millson threatens a prosec.n for be apprek.d for utter.g a forged note and after.ds being discharged. -

Mr. Kaye reported Edward Millson to be apprehended and Committed from Marlborough Office for a further Examination for uttering a forged Bank Note of £5. — that after another Exam.n he was discharged, and Mr. Thompson who was the Cause of apprehending him is threatened by an Attorney with an action for charging him with the Offence

Sol.r to defend it, if found Necessary.

Ordered, That the Solicitor be directed to defend the said Action if found Necessary.

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adjourned.

The Committee adjourned till after the rising of the Court of Directors on Thursday the 18th. Instant. –

Thursday the 18 June 1812. –

The Committee further adjourned till Friday the 19th. Instant, to meet at 2 o'Clock. –

Friday the 19th. June 1812. –

The Comee. met pursuant to their adjournment of Yesterday. –

Tho.s Kingsman apprehended for utter.g forged Notes Evid.ce ag.st him not sufficient to convict.

Mr. Kaye reported that since the Order of the Committee of the 10th. Instant, for prosecuting Tho.s Kingsman who was apprehended for uttering two Forged Notes, two of the persons who were required to appear as Witnesses in Evidence against the prisoner, positively state that he is not the person who presented the said Notes to Mr. Mackereth; Since which Declaration the Sd. Mackereth has his doubts, and the prisoner's attorney pressing for another Examination, he is recommitted till Friday next. –

to be discharged.

Ordered, That the Sd. Tho.s Kingsman be discharged. –

Adjourned to Tuesday 23d. Inst.t

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Committee for Law Suits.
Tuesday the 23d June 1812.

Present

Mr Harman Mr Drewe
Mr Maitland Mr Richards
Mr Davidson.

The proceedings of the last Comm. were read.—

Re from Jn. Staniforth Esq. respecting Jn. Julius Jansen having absconded.

The following Letter from Jn. Staniforth Esq. and other being read.—

To the Hon.ble the Governor of the Bank of England.—

Sir, "We beg leave to inform You "that we have this Moment learnd. W. "John Julius Jansen, Drawer of the "undermentioned Bills on Hibbers — "James & Co. which were Discounted at "the Bank has thought proper to "proceed to Harwich on his Way to "Heligoland, and we beg leave to "suggest the propriety of Arresting "him if possible;—

"We are
Sir,
"Your obed.t Serv.ts
"J. Staniforth
D. Austin
"Thomas Fellows."—

£ 1230.— Due 21st Inst.
" 578..10..9 — 15 Apl.
" 821..9..3 — "
£ 2630..0..0

"3 America Square.
" June 23d 1812.—

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Sol.r ordered to arrest J. J. Janssen.—

Resolved, That the Solicitor be directed to cause the said John Julius Janssen to be arrested.—

Tho.s Greens proposal to pay 6/8 in the pound

Thomas Green of Mincing Lane, Wine Merchant Acceptor of five Bills amounting to £1.033.— his Creditors having agreed to accept a Composition of 6/8 in the Pound, payable by Instalments at 2 and 4 Months, with a Release upon the Payments being made;— to which arrangement he requests the Bank to accede to.—

agreed to.—

Resolved, That the above application be agreed to on his obtaining the usual Consents.—

Downer & Sanders.— request time to make arrangem.ts

Mess.rs Downer & Sanders of Fleet Street, Acceptors of Sundry Bills amounting to £5265.— Solicit to be allowed time to make an Arrangement, and to give Security for what may be deficient from G. Gardiner.—

Sol.r to require some Special Propo.sal.—

Resolved, That it be referred to Mr. Kaye to require Mess.rs Downer &c.— to make some Special Proposal.—

J. G. Weddell's applic.n for Signature to his Certificate.

John G. Weddell, Acceptor of Bills Amounting to £1749.11.10 upon

which

which Dividends to the Amount of 6s in the pound have been paid, humbly Solicits the Bank to Sign his Certificate.-

J. G. Weddell's Certifc. to be signed.-

Ordered That the Secretary be authorized to Sign the Certificate of the Said John G. Weddell.-

Solr. to write to persons for Paymt. of Sundry Bills.-

Ordered. That the Solicitor be directed to write to the following persons for Payment of their Bills.- Viz.

Stimpson & Sedgwick

Messrs. Stimpson & Sedgwick of Clements Lane, Merchants, Discounters and Acceptors of Sundry Bills, amounting to £8,609.3.0.-

Charles Hales.-

Charles Hales, of Fleet Street, Cabinet Maker, Acceptor of 4 Bills amounting to £556.10.6.-

Thomas Smith.-

Thomas Smith of Thames Street, — acceptor of 3 Bills, amounting to £696.-

Mr. Raye laid before the Committee the Examinations taken against the following Offenders.-

Jas. Crabtree for uttg. forged Notes

Jas. Crabtree apprehended at Halifax, for uttering a forged Bank Note

To be Prosecuted.-

Ordered. That he be prosecuted.-

John

Jn.o Roberts. –
Ellen Staughton.
Alice Wilcock
ann Kirby
for utter.g Counterf.d
Tokens. –

John Roberts & Ellen Haughton for being Concerned with 2 other persons in utter.g Counterfeited Bank Tokens at Manchester. also Alice Wilcock and Ann Kirby for Similar Offences there. –

to be prosecuted. –

Ordered, That they be prosecuted. –

Marg.t Healey, for.d

Margaret Healey for a Similar Offence at Manchester. –

Ordered, That the Solicitor be directed to make further enquiry into the Circumst.ces attending the Conduct of this Prisoner and to Report the result to the Committee.

further enquiry to be made. –

Bills hav.g fictitious Indorsements further investigated. –

The Committee proceeded on the further investigation of the several Bills with fictitious Indorsem.ts as referred by the Order of the Court of Directors of the 25.th Ultimo. –

The Com.ee Adjourned to Thursday the 25.th Instant, till Eleven O'clock. –

Committee for Law Suits,

Thursday the 25th. June 1812

The Committee met pursuant to their adjournment of Yesterday. —

Present

Mr. Harman, Mr. Richards,
Mr. Maitland, and
Mr. Drewel, Mr. Davidson. —

Resolved.

That the Chairman be requested to present the following Report to the Court of Directors this Day. —

Report to the Court respecting the Bills Discd. by Living & Co. with fictitious Indorsemts.

That the Committee have proceeded to the further Consideration of the Circumstances attending the Bills containing fictitious Firms and Names, which had been Discounted at the Bank by Living Downes & Co. and by other Persons acting at their instance. — The Houses of Reynolds & Wright, Barry & Wilkinson and Joseph Reynolds appeared either as Acceptors, or Discounters of several of those Bills, but upon a full investigation of the Circumstances attending their Negociation, it appeared that they had all been recruited from Living Downes & Co. with the Fictitious Names upon them; and upon Henry Living and Jn.o Living being

being referred to they admitted that the Bills had been drawn at their request. The Committee are therefore of Opinion that however strong a Suspicion may be entertained, that Reynolds & Wright, Barry & Wilkinson & Joseph Reynolds knew that the Bills were drawn and indorsed in fictitious firms, Yet the Bank is not at present in possession of Evidence sufficient to warrant a prosecution against any of them. — But the Comm.ee are of Opinion that there is Evidence sufficient to warrant a prosecution against Henry Swing and John Swing for uttering the Bills with a knowledge of the fictitious and forged Firms thereon, they have therefore according to the Order of the Court of the 21st. May last given instructions to the Solicitor to prosecute them for the Offence. — With respect to Mr. Downes, the Committee understand he had little or no Concern in the Negociation of the Bills, and is in a very bad State of Health, and they do not therefore consider him as implicated in the guilt which attaches to the other two Partners. —

Mr. Kaye laid before the Committee the Examinations taken at the following Offenders. — Viz.t

Thos. Dardis & R.d Read for utter.g forged Notes

Thomas Dardis and Richard Read apprehended in London, for uttering Forged Bank Notes. –

Ordered

to be prosecuted for lesser Offence. –

That they be prosecuted with liberty to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. –

Peter Wright & Wife – apprehended for utter.g a 3/. Counterf.t Token

Peter Wright & his Wife apprehended at Warrington, Lancashire for uttering a Counterfeited 3/– Token, – but being the Case of a Single utterance and no other Counterfeited Tokens found in their possession the Committee did not Consider it a Case for Prosecution.

not to be prosecuted.

Jn.o Brabazon ordered to be prosecuted for – utter.g forged Notes. – inform.n rec.d of his hav.g found them.

Read a Letter from Mr. J. Whitefoord the Agent to the Bank Solicitors at Plymouth stating that information had been given that John Brabazon, who was Ordered to be prosecuted on the 17th. Instant, for utter.g Forged Bank Notes, had been seen to find the said Notes he stands charged with. –

Ordered,

Sol.r to make further enquiry & if true the pris.r to be discharg.d

That Mr. Kaye be directed to make further enquiry upon the Subject and if that the fact above Stated should be satisfactorily ascertained, the Prisoner to be discharged. –

Read

N. E. Longueville further informat.n respecting him.—

Read a further Statement of the proceedings of N. E. Longueville, who was Ordered to be Prosecuted on the 17th Instant for fabricating Counterfeit Tokens, by which it appears that he has also made Counterfeit ½ Crowns and Shillings which will enable the Law Officers of the Crown if deemed advisable to prosecute him for High Treason, which would render any prosecution on behalf of the Bank useless.—

Order for his Prosecn on 17th Inst. rescinded.

Ordered That the directions given for the Prosecution of N. E. Longueville on the 17th Instant be rescinded.—

Downer & Sanders request further time to propose Security.

Read a Letter from Henry Downer of the House of Downer & Sanders, requesting to be allowed further time to propose Security.—

Cons.n deferred.—

Ordered That the further Consideration of the demand upon that House be deferred to a future Committee.—

Wm Amory's applic.n to be reimbursed his Exp.s £18.13.8.—

On reading a Memorial from Wm Amory of Broad Street, Broker, praying to be reimbursed his Expenses amounting to £18.13.8 incurred by putting off the Trial of Robert Roberts from time to time at the request of the Bank.—

Sol.r to pay him.

Ordered That the Solicitor be authorised to pay the same.—

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Committee for Law Suits

Monday the 29th. June. 1812

Present:-

Mr. Harman

Mr. Maitland, Mr. Richards,
Mr. Drewe, Mr. Davidson.-

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.-

Tho.s Smith's proposal of 6/8d. in the Pound.

Read a Letter from Tho.s Smith, Acceptor of 5 Bills Drawn by Geo. Gardiner amounting to £1001, requesting the Bank to accept a Composition of 6/8 in the Pound by three equal instalments in his Notes at 3, 6, and 9 Months.-

Complied with.

Resolved, That Mr. Smiths request be complied with, upon his obtaining the Consent of the other Parties on the Bills.-

Charles Hales's applic.n for Indulg.ce

Read a Letter from Charles Hales, Acceptor of 4 Bills Drawn by Geo. Gardiner amounting to £ desiring indulgence till the 3d. Meeting of the said Gardiner's Creditors.-

Consideration postp.d

The Consideration was postponed.-

H.y & J. Living reported to have absconded.-

Mr. Kaye reported that Henry Living and John Living have absconded,

and

and that their Clerks having refused to attend an examination before the Magistrate one of them had been Summoned for that purpose.—

Mr. Kaye was directed to prepare the form of an Advertisement offering a Reward for the Apprehension of the Sivings stating the nature of the Offence they stand charged with. &c.

Ajourned to Wednesday next One O'Clock.

Wednesday the 1st. July 1812.

The Committee met pursuant to their Adjournment of the 29th. Ultimo—

Examinat.n ag.st D.l Fuller a Clerk to Messrs. Siving &c.

Mr. Kaye laid before the Committee the Examination of Daniel Fuller one of the Clerks of Henry Siving and John Siving who have absconded;— also the following Draft of an Advertisement which he was directed to prepare.— Viz.—

Forgery.—

Draft of an advertisem.t for apprehening Hy & Jn.o Siving.—

Whereas Henry Siving and John Siving late of Magdalen Row of Great Prescott Street in the County of Middlesex Merchants, Partners in a Firm of Siving

Downes

"Downes & Co. Stand charged with hav.
"Negociated Several Bills of Exchange
"Drawn and Indorsed in Fictitious Firms
"or Names, which equally Constitutes the
"Crime of Forgery, as if the Firms or Names
"of existing Persons had been Counterfeited,
"and the said Henry Living and John
"Living have absconded.-

"Whoever will apprehend or cause
"to be apprehended the said Henry Living
"and John Living or either of them, and
"give Notice thereof to this Office (Public
"Office Marlborough Street) shall be paid
"a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, for
"each of them so apprehended."-

The Committee approved thereof.

Resolved,

That the said Advertisem.t
be submitted to the Court of Directors.-

Lewis Lyon's applic.n for 2 Mo.s indulgence.

Lewis Lyon of Great St. Helens Merchant, Acceptor of a Bill amounting to £184.10.- requests of the Bank, to grant him the indulgence of 2 Months for the payment, and proposes to deposit the Bill of Sale of a Quarter of a Brig as Security.-

acceded to.-

Acceded to on obtaining the Consent of the other parties on the Bill.- Mess.rs

Penfold & Lomar applix. 6 Mos. indulg.a

Messrs. Penfold & Lomar of Newgate Street, Warehousemen, request the Bank to extend the Period of Payment of their last Instalment, viz. £541..16..10 for six Months, their other Creditors having granted the same Indulgence. –

acceded to. –

Acceded to. –

The Examinations taken against the following Offenders were read. –

Jno. Smith & Wm. Middleton for utter.g forged Notes. –

John Smith and Wm. Middleton for uttering forged £1 & £2 Bank Notes in Sussex.

to be prosecuted for lesser Offence. –

Ordered, That they be prosecuted with liberty to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence.

Geo. Greenway do. do. –

George Greenway for uttering a forged £1, Bank Note, in Company with John Castle admitted an Evidence. –

Ordered, That Geo. Greenway be prosecuted, with leave to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. –

Jno. Watson's propos.l to give Information ag.st Forgeries on Condition of Pardon

Read a Letter from John Watson, a prisoner in Hertford Goal, for uttering forged Notes of £1 each, offering to give information against other Offenders, on Condition of being discharged from Custody. –

.....rejected. –

application rejected. –

Read. –

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Jn.o Boyce's applic.n for loss by a forged £5 Note.-

Read a Letter from John Boyce Dated 29.th Ult.o being his 2.d application for a remuneration for his loss by a forged Note of £5, received from Tho.s Flanagen

Resolved.

not Complied with.

That the said application be not complied with.-

Downer & Saunders proposal to Divide their Paym.ts into 4 Instalm.ts

Read a Letter from Henry Downer of the House of Downer & Sanders whose matter was deferred by the Com.ee the 25.th Ult.o, proposing to give a Warrant of Attorney, and to Divide the payments into 4 equal Instalments, at 6. 12. 18 and 24 Months.-

Consideration deferred.

Resolved, That the Consideration be deferred to this Day fortnight.-

Investigators Acc.ts of Disbursem.ts for May.-

The following Accounts of Disbursem.ts were examined.- Viz.t-

Thomas Glover, Disbursem.ts for May	£	23.. 7.. 6
Extra attend.ce 23 Days, 2 Nights		13.. 2.. 6
	£	36.. 10.. 0
John Sees, Disbursem.ts for May	£	15.. 4.. 2
Extra attend.ce 26 Days		13.. 13.. 0
	£	28.. 17.. 2
Rob.t Fish, Disbursem.ts for May	£	8.. 1.. 11
Extra attend.ce 21 Days		11.. 0.. 6
	£	19.. 2.. 5
Cha.s Christmas, Disbursem.ts for May	£	8.. 0.. 9
Extra attend.ce 22 Days		11.. 11.. -
	£	19.. 11.. 9

to be paid

To be recommended to the Gov.r to be paid.-

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Committee for Law Suits.
8th July. 1812.

Present:-
Mr. Harman, Mr. Drewe.
Mr. Maitland, Mr. Richards

The Proceedings of the last Comm.ee were Read.-

Wm. Parr solicits to be permitted to plead to lesser Offence.-

Read a Letter from William Parr a prisoner in Newgate for uttering a Forged Note of £50.- proposing to give informat.n against a Number of Dealers in the Purchase and Sale of Gold Coin, on Condition of the Bank postponing their Proceedings against him until he has proved the Sincerity of his proposal.-

Resolved, That the Proposal of William Parr be rejected.-

rejected.-

Jas. Brownes application for some allow.ce while in the Prison.-

Read a Letter from James Browne a prisoner in Newgate, under Sentence of Transportation having uttered a forged Note,- Soliciting some allowance for his Wife and himself During his Confinement in the said Prison.-

Resolved. That the above application be not complied with.-

Not Complied with-

Mr.

Mr. Kaye's report respect.ᵍ Mr. Boccius's Deed of Release.

Mr. Kaye reported that the Canada Merchants, Creditors to Mr. Boccius, had Signed the Release granted to him, — and that having perused the same he saw no objection to it's being Signed by the Bank. —

Ordered,

That the Secretary be authorised to Sign the Release to Mr. Boccius, agreeably to the Resolution of this Committee of the 26th. Ultimo.

to be Signed by the Secretary. —

Mich.ˡ Morah, — Solicits further indulgence. —

Read a Letter from Michael Morah of Worthing, dated 5th. Instant, stating that he is unable to pay his Bill of £595. 9. 4 Due the 8th. August, agreeably to his promise, and soliciting further indulgence to discharge the same at 3 Instalments, to fall due 24th. December 1812, 1813 & 1814. —

not Complied with

Resolved,

That his application be not Complied with. —

Wilson, Jackson & Co.ˢ Petition from them respᵍ. Proposals made by Chrᵖʰ Blackett. —

Read a Petition from Messrs. Wilson, Jackson & Holmes, for a Copy of a Memorial or Petition, said to have been presented by Chrᵖʰ Blackett of Leeds

in

in March 1811, regarding Sundry Bills drawn by him on Preston & Sons, and Discounted by Messrs. Wilson & Co. at the Bank, in order that the said petition should be produced at the Court of Kings Bench, an Action being Commenced against the said Chr. Blackett for the recovery of £4291.10.0 which they have paid on the said Bills.-

Ordered,

Sol.r to return an Ans.r

That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Messrs. Wilson & Co. that there does not appear to have been any Such Document as described in their petition presented to this Committee by Mr. Blackett.-

Dan.l Davis, for Selling forged Notes

Examined the Depositions taken against Daniel Davis, apprehended in Black Friars Road, for Selling and having in his Possession Forged Bank Notes.-

to be prosecuted for the Capital Offence

Ordered, That he be prosecuted for the Capital Offence.-

Mr. Cox laid before the Com.ee the following applications Viz.t

Johnson & Hogarth proposes a Compos.n of 9/- in the Pound acceded.

Messrs. Johnston & Hogarth of St. Dunstans Hill, Wine Merchants Discounters

Discounters &c.ª of Sundry Bills amounting to £7,402.11.9. request of the Bank to accept a Composition of 9/- in the Pound at 6, 9 & 15 Months, the last Payment of 3/- in the Pound to be secured.-

Acceded to on their obtaining the Usual Consents.-

Shuttleworth & Co.ª — applic.ª for Signature to his Certificate.-

Messrs.ª Shuttleworth & Goodfellow of Austin Friars, Merch.ts Bankrupts, Acceptors of a Bill for £1500 proved under their Commission, but which has since been paid, - request of the Bank to Sign their Certificate.-

Ordered

to be signed.-

That the Secretary be authorised to Sign the Same, on their producing the Consent in Writing of the Indorser.-

Sol.r to write to Sundry Persons for payments.-

Mr. Kaye was directed to write to the following Persons for Payment of their Bills.- viz.ª

Stimpson & Sedgwick

Messrs.ª Stimpson & Sedgwick of Clements Lane, Merchants. Discounters & Acceptors of Sundry Bills amounting to £8.609.3.- and if not paid by the 15th Instant, payment to be enforced.

to enforce payment if not paid.-

Thomas

Thos. Pinkerton. —

Thos. Pinkerton of New Broad Street, Discounter of 2 Bills drawn by J. Teed & Co. amounting to £5,392..1..—

Jn. Teed & Co. —

John Teed & Co. of Plymouth, the acceptors. — for D.

Sam. Crane. —

Samuel Crane of Stratford, Discounter of Sundry Bills, amounting to £10,011..9..8.—

Gerwas Bradberry

Gerwas Bradberry, Langbourn Ward Chambers, Acceptor & Drawer of Sundry Bills amounting to £7,320..14..8 Discounted with Hilbers, James & Co.

Jas. Wardell. —

James Wardell of Pall Mall Wine Merchant, acceptor of 2 Bills, amounting to £923..17..0.—

Thos. Wm. Horder

Thos. Wm. Horder of Hatton Garden, Wine Merchant, Acceptor of 3 Bills, amount.g to £988..4..10.—

Report of Convictions and rewards submitted

Mr. Kaye laid before the Comm.rs the following List of Offenders Convicted at the Old Bailey in the July Sessions, — and the Names of the person which he submits as entitled to Rewards for their Exertions in apprehending them. — Viz.t

Geo. Greenway — convicted. —

George Greenway, Convicted, lesser Offence
John Aylett, John Moss, John Forrest and Jas. Gibbs, £10 each as rewards. —

Rd. Read. — do.

Richard Read, — lesser Offence. —
Geo. Penman, John Clark and Wm. Goff, £10 each, as rewards. —

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Thos. Dardis. Convicted lesser Offence.

Thomas Dardis Convicted, lesser Offence
Elizabeth Towers, Chas. Deason and
John Butler £10 each as rewards.

Jas. Browne. Do. –

James Browne, Do. – lesser Offence. –
Geo. Oakley and Dan.l Bishop £10 each.

Jno. Davis Saintsbury

John Davis Saintsbury. – Do. – lesser Offence
– Wife £20, and 2 police Officers £10 each.

£160 ordered as Rewards. –

Resolved,
That it be recommended
to the Governor to Order that One Hundred
and Sixty pounds be paid to Mr. Kaye
to distribute amongst the above persons
as rewards for their Services. –

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Committee for Law Suits
15th July, — 1812.—

Present.—

Mr. Harman,
Mr. Maitland, Mr. Davidson.—

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.—

Thos. Pinkerton's proposal to pay 5/— in the Pound.

Read a Letter from Thos. Pinkerton dated 14th. Instant, stating that he is not able at present to pay the two Bills, Discounted by him for Jno. Teed & Co. amounting to £5,392.1.0 and requesting the Bank not to proceed against him for Payment, he having paid the whole Sum to the Agent of the said J. Teed & Co.:— but Should the Bank insist on Payment, Solicited to be allowed the Same indulgence as granted by his other Creditors, by paying 5/— in the Pound,— and he would endeavor to obtain Security for the Same.—

Resolved,

not Complied with.

That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Thos. Pinkerton that his Applic.n cannot be complied with,— and also to write to Messrs. Jno. Teed & Co. for Payment of the said Bills.—

Jno. Teed & Co. to be written to for Paym.t

Gervas Bradberry offers a Composition of 5/— in the pound.

Read a Letter from Gervas Bradberry, dated 13th. Instant, Stating

that

that he is unable to take up the Bills Drawn and Accepted by him, Discounted with Hilbers James & Co.ª – That the holders of the Several Bills to which he is liable, have Consented to accept of a Composition of 5/– in the £ pound in addition to the Estates upon which they can Prove in Discharge of their Claim, and to have a Release upon Payment of the said Compos.ⁿ therefore Soliciting the Bank to agree to the same Proposal. ––

Gervas Bradberrys applic.ⁿ not Complied with. –

Resolved, That the said application be not Complied with, and that the Solicitor be directed to apply to him for the production of the Agreement entered into with his Creditors. –

Jas. Wardells propos.ᵉ to pay 11/– in the £.

Read a Letter from Jas. Wardell, Dated 14th. Inst.ᵒ proposing to pay 11/– in the £ pound on his acceptances for £923.17.– by giving good Bills at 4 and 6 Months Date. –

Cons.ⁿ deferred & Security req.ᵈ

Resolved That the Consideration be deferred, and that he be required to give the Names of the Persons who he means to Propose as his Sureties. –

Holmes & Lewis resp.ᵗ Thos. Horders accept.ᵉ propos.ⁿ 2/6 in the £.

On reading a Letter from Messrs. Holmes & Lewis, of Mark Lane, Solicitors

to

to Thomas Horder, stating it impossible for him to pay his acceptances to J. P. Hillary which amount to £988. 4. 10 he being at the time of accepting the said Bills, only a Clerk in Mr. Hillary's House, and was induced to put his name to them, for their Sole accommodation, — therefore soliciting the Bank to accept of 2/6 in the Pound on the said Bills, he having a Wife and Family to support with only a Salary of £100 p.r Annum.

Cons.r Def.d. —

Resolved That the Consideration be deferred, until Mr. Cox has made further enquiry respecting Tho.s Horders Affairs.

Stimpson & Co.s arrangem.t of their affairs not settled

A Letter was read from Mr. Benj.n Nind Solicitor to Mess.rs Stimpson & Co. dated 13.th Inst.o stating their intended Arrangement of their Concerns had not yet taken place, but that no improper delay will be incurred. —

reg.d without fail by Wednesday. —

Resolved, That the Solicitor be directed to apply to Mess.rs Stimpson & Sedgwick for a Statement of their Affairs to be laid before the Committee on Wednesday next without fail. —

H. W. Willoughby applic.s for 3 Mo.s indulg.ce

Read a Letter from H. W. Willoughby, acceptor of 3 Bills amounting to £766. 14. 0 requesting to be allowed

acceded to. —

the

the indulgence of an extension of the payments for three Months, — and proposing to deposit the Title Deed of a Freehold Brewhouse as Security

Resolved. That the above applicn be acceded to, on his obtaining the usual Consents. —

J. J. Clarke Solr applicg respecting Wm Parr. —

Read a Letter from J. J. Clarke, Solicitor, on behalf of Wm Parr, who is Ordered to be prosecuted for uttering a Forged Bank Note for £50 at Ramsgate, — and soliciting the Bank to permit him to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. —

Resolved. That the Said William Parr be permitted to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence, should it meet with the approbation of the Judge

allowed to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence.

Jas Watson's applicn for Do. —

Read a Letter from James Watson, a prisoner in Hertford Gaol for uttering forged Bank Notes, praying to be allowed to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. —

Resolved That the said application be not complied with, but that the Solicitor be authorised to act as he may judge proper Should any thing turn out favorable on the Trial of the Prisr

not complied with.

instructions given to Solr thereon.

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Downer & Sanders request to pay their Debts by 4 equal Instalmts

Read a Letter from Messrs. Downer & Sanders dated 15th Instant, requesting to be allowed the indulgence of paying their Acceptances, now overdue by 4 equal Instalments, with their Bills at 6, 12, 18 and 24 months, and proposing to give a Warrant of Attorney to attach their Property in Case any one of the said Bills are not regularly paid, with the Interest.

acceded to.

Resolved, That the said application be acceded to, on their obtaining the usual Consents.

Counsr. Garrow's resignatn. of the Home Circuit

Mr. Kaye reported that in Consequence of Mr. Garrow being appointed Solicitor General he was not able to continue as leading Counsel for the Bank on the Home Circuit, and therefore requested to resign the Situation.

Serjeant Shepherd appd. leading Counsel on Sd. Circuit.

Resolved, That the Solicitors be directed to employ Mr. Serjeant Shepherd as leading Counsel for the Bank on the Home Circuit, in the room of Mr. Garrow resigned.

Tho.s Dardis Petn. for recovery of Property found in a Box on his being apprehended.

A Petition was read from Thomas Dardis a Prisoner in Newgate under Sentence of Transportation, having been Tried for Uttering Forged Bank Notes.

Stating

Stating that the Sum of £4. 3. – which was found in a Box in the Prisoner's Room on his being Apprehended was not his Property, but belonged to Patrick Ledgewick a Lodger, and praying the Bank to Order the same to be delivered up to him. –

The said Application Rejected.

R.d Read's Petition for his Wife to go with him to Botany Bay

Read a Petition from Rich.d Read a Prisoner in Newgate under Sentence of Transportation for uttering forged Bank Notes, praying the Bank to Sanction his Petition to the Prince Regent, that his Wife may be permitted to accompany him to Botany Bay

Not Complied with.

Not Complied with. –

Wm. Mather for utter.g Counterf.d Tokens

On reading the Examinat.n taken against William Mather apprehended at Burton on Trent for Uttering Counterfeited Tokens. –

to be prosecuted

Ordered That he be prosecuted. –

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Committee for Law Suits

22nd July 1812.

Present.

Mr. Harman

Mr. Richards Mr. Davidson

The proceedings of the last Comm.ee were read.

Sam.l Crane & Son request.g further indulg.e to make paym.t

Read a Letter from Messrs. Sam.l Crane & Son dated 20th. Instant, Stating the Cause of their not making the payments on their Bills, and requesting to be allowed indulgence until the said Bills were proved on Messrs. Harding & Hill & Wood's Estate.

Unless payments are immediately made to be enforced

Ordered That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Messrs. Sam.l Crane & Son, that unless they make some further payment on account of their Bills immediately, they will be proceeded against.

Tim.y Adlam for utter.g base Tokens

Examined the Depositions taken against Timothy Adlam, apprehended at Brentwood Essex, for uttering base 3/- Tokens.

To be prosecuted.

Ordered That he be prosecuted.

Read.

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Stimpson & Sedgwick respect.g Statement of their affairs.

Read a Letter M.r Benj.a Nind Solicitor, to Messrs.rs Stimpson & Sedgwick, Dated 22.nd Instant, Stating that an arrangement with a Plan for the Liquidation of their Debts should be submitted to the Bank in the course of a Week, therefore requesting indulg.a accordingly.—

Ordered,

if not produced on next Wednesday to proceed ag.st them

That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint them if the said Statement is not presented on Wednesday Next, Proceedings against them will no longer be delayed.—

Petition from Jn.o Saintsbury, on behalf of Jn.o Davis Saintsbury.—

Read a Petition from Jn.o Saintsbury Father to John Davis Saintsbury who is under Sentence of Transportation for uttering Forged Bank Notes, having been permitted to plead Guilty to the Lesser Offence, Praying the Bank to intercede with the Secretary of State to obtain a Mitigation of his Sentence, to permit him to enter into His Majesty's Navy, in Consideration of his Youth, and for the disclosures he has made to the Solicitors, of the Bank.—

not Complied with

The said Petition not Complied with

The Committee adjourned till after the rising of the Court, Tomorrow.—

Thursday the 23d. July 1812.

The Committee pursuant to their Adjournment of Yesterday.

Petition from Danl. Davis.

A Petition was read from Daniel Davis a Prisoner in Horsemonger Lane Gaol, Southwark, for uttering Forged Notes, praying the Bank to permit him to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence.

Resolved.

not Complied with.

That the said Petition be not Complied with.

Committee for Law Suits
27th July, 1812.

Present

Mr. Deputy Governor
Mr. Harman Mr. Richards.

The Proceedings of the two last Committee's were read.

Chas. Sloane's Memorial on behalf of Olivir Sloane alias John Wright.

Read a Memorial from Charles Sloane, Brother of Olivir Sloane alias John Wright, who was Ordered by the Committee of the 31st. December last to be prosecuted for altering Bank Notes of £1 each to £10 and uttering them — praying the Bank to direct their Solicitors to accept a plea of Guilty to the Charge of having Forged

not complied with

Notes

Notes in his Possession, knowing them to be so, - in Order to remove the Capital part of the Offence. -

Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Memorial be not Complied with. -

Petition from Eliz.th Leach, for further allow.ce in Prison.

A Petition was read from Elizabeth Leach, a Prisoner in Newgate under Sentence of Transportation for the term of her natural Life, for uttering Forged Bank Notes, praying the Bank to grant her some allowance during her Confinement in the said Prison. -

Resolved, That the said Petition be not Complied with. -

not Complied with. -

Committee for Law Suits
30th July. — 1812

Present.
Mr. Deputy Governor,
Mr. Harman, Mr. Richards, Mr. Davidson.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Chas. Sloane's Mem.l reconsidered. —

The Committee met for the purpose of reconsidering the Memorial presented at the last Committee from Charles Sloane being at the request of the Governor, who being absent from the Bank, and the Trial of the Prisoner Oliver Sloane, not Coming on before the 22.d August next. —

Resolved,

Further Cons.n postp.d

That the further Consideration be postponed. —

Chas. Smith's Ltr respecting a person appr.d at Swansea for uttering base 7/— pieces. —

Read a Letter from Charles Smith Esq.r a Magistrate at Gwern Vaynouth near Swansea, dated 26th Instant, Stating that a Person is apprehended in that Neighbourhood for uttering base 7/— pieces, who is Suspected to be Connected with others in

in the uttering of Counterfeited Tokens, but that no proof as yet had been produced, - and advising the Bank to send an Officer Down, belonging to Bow Street Office, to trace out the parties connected with the person in Custody in his nefarious practises. -

Ordered,

That the Solicitor be directed to acknowledge the receipt of the said Letter and acquaint Mr. Smith that the circumstances relating to the uttering the 7/- Pieces being the Coin of the Realm, must be under the Consideration of the Mint to prosecute but should any further information be obtained, which may in any way relate to the Bank, immediate attention shall be paid thereto. -

Directions given to Solr to ans.r Mr. Smith's Lre

Read a Letter from Mr. Thos. Sedgwick, enclosing a Statement of the Affairs of Messrs. Stimpson & Sedgwick proposing that as soon as there is sufficient property arrived it shall be converted into Money to make a general Dividend of 4/- in the pound and then with the Approbation of the

Stimpsons & Co.s Statement of affairs and Proposal.

the Creditors to assign over all the Property to three persons of known respectability, In Trust to be managed under their Inspection for the benefit of the Creditors, and gradually wound up, so that a Dividend may be made every Year until the whole is completed.

Stimpson & Co.'s proposal rejected

Resolved, That the Proposal of Messrs. Stimpson & Sedgwick be not Complied with, and that the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Mr. Sedgwick, if a more satisfactory Proposal is not made by Wednesday next, - instructions will be given to enforce payment of the whole Debt.-

Pat.k Hughes for utter.g a forged Note

Mr. Freshfield laid before the Committee the Examinations taken against Patrick Hughes apprehended at Stockport, Cheshire, for uttering a Forged Bank Note for £5.-

to be prosecuted.- Lesser Offence.-

Ordered, That he be prosecuted, but that he be permitted to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence, Should it meet with the approbation of the Judge.

Mr. Cox laid before the Comm.ee the following applications.- Viz:

Thos. Horder's Compos. of 2/6 in the Pound

Thos. Horder, Hatton Garden, Acceptor of 3 Bills amounting to £988.4.10 requests the Bank to accept a Composition of 2/6 in the Pound.—

acceded to

Acceded to.—

Thos. Lever & Co. applic. for 6 Mos. indulgence.

Thos. Lever & Co. of Milk Street Warehousemen, Acceptors of a Bill for £199.17.— request of the Bank to grant them 6 Months indulgence, and offers a Bill for £200 on Jos. Wood & Co. of Laurence Lane as Security for the Payment.—

acceded to.—

Acceded to on the obtaining the Consents.—

Edw. Knight's applicat. for signature to his Certificate.

Edward Knight of Dock Head Bankrupt, Discounter of Sundry Bills amounting to £17,638.19.9 proved under his Commission, and upon which Divd. of 2/.— in the Pound have been received requests the Bank to Sign his Certificate.—

to be signed.—

Resolved,

That the Secretary be authorised to sign the Certificate of Edw. Knight.—

John Taylor applic. for a few days indulg.

John Taylor of Cheapside Warehouseman, Acceptor of a Bill for £188.17.— requests a few Days indulgence for the Payment.—

Consr. deferred.

Consideration deferred.

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Investigators accts of Disbursements

The Committee examined the following accounts of the Disbursements &c. of the Investigators, — and having observed in the Bills of Charles Christmas and Robt Milton on the 12th June last, Charges for their Expenses, while on Duty in the Bank, besides their Extra attendance, —

Charges for Expenses on Duty in the Bank not allowed. —

Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Governor to Order Payment of the said Accounts, but that directions be given to the Investigators not to make any Charges for Expenses, when on Duty at the Bank, as it will not be allowed for the future. —

accts to be paid

Thos Glover. —

Thos Glover, Disbursemts for June 2nd £68 7 11
" Extra attendce 29 Days, 2 Nights 16 5 6
£84 13 5

John Lees. —

John Lees, Disbursemts for June £20 11 —
" Extra attendance, 28 Days — 14 14 —
£35 5 0

Robt Fish. — —

Robt Fish, Disbursemts for June £23 17 3
" Extra attendce — 23 Days — 12 1 6
£35 18 9

Chas Christmas.

Chas Christmas, Disbursemts for June £22 17 6
" Extra attendce 27 Days — 14 3 6
£37 1 0

Robt Milton. —

Robt Milton, Disbursemts June £10 5 8
" Extra attendce 31 Days — 16 5 6
£26 11 2

Jno Warwick. —

John Warwick, Disbursemts June £3 19 0
Extra attendce 21 Days — 11 0 6
£14 19 6

Edw Cocks. —

Edw Cocks, Disbursemts — June — £4 3 6
Extra attendce 26 Days — 13 13 0
£17 16 6

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Committee for Law Suits,
5th August, 1812.—

Present.—

Mr. Harman

Mr. Richards Mr. Davidson

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.—

Ltrs from Messrs. Smith & Dillwyn — respecting the person apprehd. at Swansea for uttering base ₤5 pieces.—

Read two Letters from Messrs. Smith & Dillwyn, Magistrates at Swansea respecting a person of the Name of Robinson who is apprehended for uttering base ₤5 pieces, Stating that there are two Parties in London, from one of whom Forged Bank Notes and the other Base Coin of every description may be procured, and the said Prisoner proposes to give Information and his Assistance to Convict the Gang he is Connected with on the Conditional Assurance of his Not being Prosecuted by the Bank or the Mint for his present Offence.—

Resolved,

That the Solicitor be directed to write to Messrs. Smith & Dillwyn that the Bank will engage not to give in Evidence any thing which the Prisoner may Communicate, and should he be the means of detecting and Convicting any

Solicitor to send answr

Fabricators or Venders of forged Bank Notes, the Bank will not prosecute him for any Offence he may hitherto have committed.

Statement of affairs and proposal, from Messrs. Oswald & Co.

Read a Letter from Messrs. Oswald & Co. dated 30th Ult.o Submitting a Statement of there affairs with their Creditors, and proposing to Assign over all their Debts and Effects &c.a in Trust to Jos.h Newsome of Bermondsey, Edward Fayle and Mr. Sheppard of Aldermanbury for the benefit of their Creditors.—

Resolved,

That the proposal of

not complied with

Messrs. Oswald & Co. be not Complied with.

Read the Depositions taken against the following persons, Viz.t

Edm.d Whitaker apprehended at

Edm.d Whitaker for utter.g a forged £2 Note

Manchester for uttering a forged Bank Note of £2.—

Resolved,

That it appearing to the

not to be prosecuted

Committee, a Slight Case, and being a Single Utterance, — that directions be given the Solicitor to discharge the Prisoner from Custody. —

Wm

Wm Houghton &c for uttering Forged Notes

Wm Houghton, Wm Rigby, James Thorpe and Ellen Thorpe, — apprehended at Warrington Lancashire for uttering Forged Bank Notes. —

Ordered

all to be prosecuted lesser Offence excepting Ja.s Thorpe. —

That Wm Houghton, Wm Rigby and Ellen Thorpe, be prosecuted with liberty to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence. —

John Bowles for Selling base Tokens. — Shillings &c.a

John Bowles apprehended at Clerkenwell, for Selling, and having in his Possession, Counterfeited Tokens, Shillings and Sixpences. &c

Resolved,

not to be prosecuted by the Bank. —

That the Evidence agst. the said prisoner being Chiefly for Selling base Shillings and Sixpences, for which he will be prosecuted by the Mint, — directions be given to the Solicitor not to prosecute on the part of the Bank. —

Ltr from I. Beckett Esq. Treasury. — recommending — Dutton for information resp.g Forged Notes. —

A Letter was read from I. Beckett Esq. of the Treasury, recommending a person of the name of Dutton who resided at Colne in Lancashire, who is arrived in Town for

for the purpose of giving Information relative to Forgeries of Bank Notes &c. in that Neighbourhood.

Ordered.

Dutton to proceed to Manchester

That the Solicitor be directed to inform Mr. Dutton that he may proceed to Manchester and place himself under the direction of Joseph Nadin the Deputy Constable there, — and that the Solicitors be authorized to give such direction respecting him as they may judge proper.

List of Trials July — &c.

Mr. Kaye laid before the Comm.rs the following List of persons Tried and Convicted at Stafford, Hertford and Surrey Assizes, and Submitted the Names of Persons entitled to some Compensation for Services in Detecting and apprehending them. — Viz.t —

1812	Circuit	Prisoners	Convicted Capitally	Convicted of Offences	Convicted of Uttering Bank Notes &c.	Persons claiming	Rewards
July	Stafford.	Will.m Booth	—			Jn.o Linwood, Edw.d Baker, Jos.h Chirm, Cha.s Clay, Wm. D. Brownell, Ja.s Devis and Jos.h Chillingworth	£50 ea:
	"	Eliz.th Chidlow		—			
	"	George Scott			—	Gideon Taylor, S.l Holloway, Thos. Dale & Geo. Redfern	£25 ea.l
	"	Jn.o Yates Senr.			—	Jn.o Ingleby & Rt. Ingleby	£20 ea.l
"	Hertford	Jn.o Watson	—			Ja.s Burnett, Wm. Scourfield, Ja.s Small	£10 ea.l
	"	Ja.s Brown	—			Sam.l Deaton & Jos.h Townsend	
"	Guildford	John Smith	—			Jn.o Dumsday & J. P. Hayward	£20 ea.l
	"	Wm. Middleton	—			Wm. Constable & Cha.s Barley	£10 ea.l
	"	Dan.l Davis	—			Joseph Beckett, Henry Brand & Jn.o Castle	£20 " £10 ea.l

Resolved

£690 ordered as Rewards.—

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Governor to Order that Six Hundred and Ninety pounds be paid to Mr. Kaye to be distributed amongst the persons aforementioned as rewards for their Services.

Trunk containing Booths, forged Plates &c.a

Mr. Kaye delivered to the Committee the Trunk taken at Booths House, which Contained the Plates, Dies and other Apparatus which he used for Forging Bank Notes — Coining, Dollars & Tokens, and also a Quantity of the said Base Coin &c.a

to be deposited in the Secretarys Strong Room.—

Ordered, That the said Trunk with its Contents, be deposited in the Secretarys Strong Room, until further Orders.

Chas. Sloane's Memorial further considered.—

The Committee resumed the Consideration of the Memorial of Mr. Charles Sloane, and were Unanimously of Opinion, that the Prayer of the said Memorialist could not be complied with.—

not Complied with

Resolved, That the Solicitor be directed to acquaint Mr. C. Sloane with the Opinion

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Committee for Law Suits.
11th August. 1812.—

Present
Mr. Harman,
Mr. Richards, Mr. Davidson.—

Petition from Wm Booth to be permitted to plead Guilty to lesser Offce —

The Committee met for the purpose of taking into consideration a petition from William Booth a prisoner under Sentence of Death at Stafford for Forging Bank Notes &c.a Praying the Bank to interfere so far as to recommend him as a fit object for Royal Mercy in order that his Sentence may be commuted in his Favor to Transportation for Life, which Petition being Read.—

Resolved,

That the said Petition be not Complied with.—

Not Complied with

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Committee for Law Suits
12th. August, 1812.-

Present.-

Mr. Maitland,
Mr. Richards, Mr. Davidson.-

The proceedings of the two last Committees were read.-

In. Kaye's applicn. for indulgce. for a few days.-

A Letter from Mr. Johnkay dated 3rd. Instant, being read requesting the further indulgence of a few Weeks to pay the Balance of the Instalment due on his Bond, - being £200-

complied with

Resolved, That the said application be complied with.-

Jos. Warner's Notice resp. Insolvent Debtors Act.-

Read a Letter from Joseph Warner a prisoner in the Kings Bench giving Notice that he should take advantage of an Act just passed for the benefit of Insolvent Debtors.-

Geo. Sheriff resp. distributn. of Exchequer Bills at Hertford.-

A Letter was read from Mr. George Sheriff. Dated 10 Inst. Stating his disappointment that his Son who had been instrumental in the apprehn. of James Watson and James Brown who

who were Convicted Capitally at Hertford Assizes for uttering Forged Bank Notes, was not included amongst the Persons who received Rewards for their Services on that occasion. —

Ordered

That Mr. Kaye be authorised to transmit Ten pounds to the Said George Sherriff for his Sons Services. —

£10 to be given to the Son of Geo. Sherriff —

Chas. Smith Esq Swansea. — resp.g Services of a Constable there. —

Read a Letter from Charles Smith Esq of Gwern Unynwith, near Swansea, Stating the Services of the Constable in that Neighbourhood in apprehending a person Suspected of uttering Counterfeited Bank Tokens as entitled to Some Reward. —

Ordered,

That the Solicitor be authorised to Send Five pounds to be given to the Said Constable. —

£5 to be sent.

Mr. Kaye reported that Mr Russell of Ramsgate who pursued and detected William Parr for uttering a Forged Bank Note for £50. — having been obliged to bring up his Wife and Servant to give Evidence against the said Offender, — and recommended him as entitled

Jno. Russells — Services respecting the Detection of Wm. Parr

to

to some compensation for the same.-

£25 as Rew.d to Jno. Russell.-

Ordered That Mr. Kaye be authorized to give Mr. Russell £25 for his Services.-

Ltrs from Discounters stating their inability to pay certain Bills.-

Mr. Cox laid before the Committee Letters he had received from the following persons Discounters at the Bank Stating their inability to pay the Bills which were Discounted by them on Messrs. Kensington & Co. Viz.

A. I. Mackenzie
John Price.-
Joseph Webb

A. I. Mackenzie, of St. Street Finsbury Sqr.
John Price, of St. Martins Lane, Merchts.-
Joseph Webb of Cloak Lane Provisr. Merchts.

to be reported to the Court to close their accounts.-

Resolved, That the Chairman be requested to Report the same to the Court of Directors, and to Submit whether such accounts should not be immediately closed.

Mat.w Brian's Exors to be applied to for paymt. of Bills accepted by Oswald & Co.

Ordered That the Solicitor be directed to make application to the Executors of Mat.w Brian for Payment of the Bills Discounted by him and accepted by Messrs. Oswald & Co. amounting to £3000.-

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Mr. Cox was directed to prove all the Bills &c. by Jno. Price, A. I. Mackenzie and Joseph Webb against Messrs. Kensington's Estate.—

Jno. Kingsford appr. resp.g. certain Bills

John Kingsford, of Fenchurch Street, Drawer of 3 Bills, upon the following persons.—

	£		
Mark Wheeler	250	due	25th August
M & I. Constable	250	—	24 Sept.r
I & W. Burgess	500	—	10th Oct.r

which were given to Secure in part the payment of a Composition of 12/6 in the Pound on £13.825.16.8.— requests of the Bank to permit him to renew the said Bills for 12 Months.—

complied with

Resolved. That the said application be complied with.—

Seymour Muffam, of Copthall Court, requests further indulgence of 2 Months for the paym.t of Instalment of £166.13.4 upon a Bill accepted by him for Simon Cock.—

Seymour Muffam allowed 2 Mos. indulg.ce—

Resolved. That the said applic.n be complied with.— I.—

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I. I. Janssen Compos. of 10/- in the pound.

I. I. Janssen Drawer of 3 Bills amounting to £2630. requests of the Bank to accept a composition of 10/- in the pound, and that the Bills be given up to him after Hoffman & Co. the acceptors of the same have paid their 10/- in the Pound.-

acceded to.-

Resolved, That the said applicn be acceded to.-

Sol.r to write for payment of Bills

Ordered, That the Solicitor be directed to Write to the following persons for payment of their Bills.-

Jn.o Taylor

John Taylor, Mercer Cheapside acceptor of a Bill for £188.17.-

Scarratt & Co.-

Scarratt & Loudonsack of Milk Street, if not adjusted by Wednesday next to arrest them.-

I. E. Willoughby

I. E. Willoughby of the Custom House.- and Messrs. Gregory & Co of Bayswater, to insist on payment by Wednesday next.-

Ltr from Jos.h Nadin resp.g E. Whitaker

Read a Letter from Jos.h Nadin enclosing a forged Note of £2 uttered by the Wife of Patrick Hughes and

and stating further particulars respecting the forged Note uttered by Edw.d Whitaker,

Ltr from Mr. Milne resp.g E. Whitaker

A Letter was also read from Mr.r Nath.l Milne of Manchester Solicitor, stating the Guilt of the said Whitaker, who he was induced to believe would plead Guilty to the lesser Offence if allowed to do so;- and that unless he should be Tried for the Offence, suspected that blame would be attached to the Magistrate who committed him.-

Consn. postponed.-

The Consideration was postponed.

Rev.d Jn.o Wrights memorial resp.g Olivr Sloane

Read a Memorial from The Rev.d John Wright of Newlesh Ireland, Brother in Law to Oliver Sloane, who is Ordered to be prosecuted for Altering £1. Bank Notes to £10.- and uttering the same.- praying that the Offender may be permitted to plead Guilty to the lesser Offence in order to save his Life:- but the Committee having taken into their serious Consideration Similar Applicat.ns on behalf of the said Prisoner, and decided against them.-

not complied with

Resolved, That the Solicitor be directed to write to The Rev.d Mr. Wright and acq.t him that the Bank cannot comply with the Application made in his Memorial.-

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Thursday, 13th Augt 1812

Present

Mr Harman Mr Maitland,
Mr Richards Mr Drewe.

Jos. Nadin and Nath. Milne's Lrs considered.

The Committee met for the purpose of taking into Consideration the Letters laid before the last Comme. from Joseph Nadin and Nath. Milne of Manchester respecting the Case of Edmund Whitaker, who was apprehended for uttering a forged £2 Bank Note, and it appearing to the Committee as a Slight case, and only a Single utterance proved against, and the Evidence not likely to Convict him

Edmd Whitaker to be discharged from Custody.

Resolved. That the Solicitor do give Instructions, to discharge the Said Edmund Whitaker out of Custody.

Committee for Law Suits

19th August 1812.

Present

Mr. Harman, Mr. Richards,
Mr. Drewe Mr. Davidson.

The proceedings of the last two Comtees were read. –

Thos. Quinton's applicn to remit Interest –

Read a Letter from Mr. Thos. Quintin, dated 9th Inst. requesting the Bank to receive from him the full Balce due on his Bills, without the Interest, which, in Consideration of the peculiar situation in which he was placed in Consequence of the Misuse of his Name after he had quitted the said Firm. –

complied with.

Resolved, That the above application be complied with. ~~

Geo. Key's applicn for indulgce rejected. –

Application by Letter was made by Geo. Key of Grosvenor St. for indulgence on his Bills Discounted for W. Williamson, amounting to £699.12.0 until it is ascertained what Sum the said Williamsons Estate will pay

pay (which is expected to be about 15/ in the Pound) and whatever the Difference may be he will make it up.-

Resolved. That the application of Thomas Key be rejected, and that the Solicitor be directed to acquaint him that unless the said Bills are immediately paid, he will be proceeded against.-

Mr. Boydell's Note respecting his Debt.-

Read a Note addressed to Mr. Cuell, Head of the Discount Office from Mr. Boydell, Stating the Cause of Delay in not Settling his Debt to the Bank sooner to have arisen from the failure of remittances from Russia which impediment being removed he expected very shortly to receive such Sums as would enable him to liquidate the said Debt due to the Bank.-

Jno. Taylor's appl.n not Complied with.

A Letter was read from John Taylor, acceptor of a Bill for £188..17..0 Stating that if the Bank, would prove the said Bill under Williamsons Commiss.n he

he would immediately place a good Bill in their hands for the Amount.-

Resolved. That that the application of John Taylor be not complied with and that the Solicitor be directed to apply for payment of the said Bill.-

Messrs. Scarratt & Co. communication.-

Mr. Kaye delivered a Note from Messrs. Scarratt & Co. Stating they were not able at present to get the Consent of one of the Endorsers, who has become Bankrupt, and that the delay was with the Assignees, but they will not fail to accomplish it, before the first Instalmt. becomes Due, when the Notes shall be regularly delivered to the Bank.-

to be proceeded ag.st without Delay

Ordered. That the Solicitor be directed to proceed against Messrs. Scarratt & Co. for payment of their Debt without further Delay.-

Ja.s Ashton for uttering Forged Notes

The Examinations taken against Ja.s Ashton, apprehended in London, for uttering 3 forged Notes of £10 each being read.

To be prosecuted for lesser Offence.-

Ordered. To be prosecuted, Lesser Offence.-

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Mr. Cox laid before the Committee the following applications.-

Thos. Green's applic.n for one Month.-

Thomas Green of Mincing Lane for one Months indulgence to pay the first Instalment of his Composition being £172.3.1 .-

acceded to.-

Acceded to.-

Hayter Reed allowed 2 Months indulg.ce.-

Hayter Reed for 2 Months indulgence for Payment of an Instal.t of £250 on his Acceptance for £2500 on Account of Simon Cock.-

Acceded to.-

Chairmans Comm.n respect.g Discounters acc.ts to be Closed for Non paym.t of Bills.

The Chairman acquainted the Comm.ee that agreeably to their resolution at the last Meeting he reported the Discounters who were unable to pay the Bills on their accounts, and the Court came to the following Resolution thereon

County Resolution thereon.-

"Resolved, That this Court do "Concur with the said Committee "as far as regards John Price, and that "the Matter of J. A. Mackenzie and "Joseph Webb be referred to the Cons.n "of a future Court".-

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Committee for Law Suits.

26th. August. – 1812.–

Present.

Mr. Maitland

Mr. Drewe Mr. Richards

The proceedings of the last Comm.e were read.–

Accounts of the Overdue Disc.t Bills, examined.–

The Committee proceeded on the Examination of the Accounts of the Overdue Discounted Bills &c.a – and determined on the following Report to be made to the Court of Directors thereon.–

Report to the Court thereon.

That having investigated the Accounts of the Overdue Discounted Bills and Notes it appears to the Committee

That the Balance of all the Outstanding Debts on the 31st. July 1812 was £391.242..4..10.–

That of the Old Accounts of March 1808 which were estimated as Good, part of which had been carried to the Account of Profit & Loss, and on the Balance of which Accounts a

Surplus

Surplus of £184..18..6 had been received 31st January 1812, a further Sum has since been received of £57..6..- and carr.d to the Credit of Profit & Loss.-

That of the said Accounts where small Dividends were expected, and where a Balance of £2..11..7 was remaining 31st January 1812, a Sum of £209..10..10 has since been received making a Surplus of £206..19..3 which has also been carried to the Account of Profit & Loss.-

That the Sum of £112..10..11 has been received since 31st January 1812, on the said Accounts, which were deemed desperate, and which Sum has likewise been carried to the Account of Profit & Loss.-

That nothing has been rec.d on the Accounts accumulated between the 1st March 1808 and the 31st January 1809 Since the 31st July 1811, the Balance therefore remains £4,444..19..3.-

That the Balce of the Acct of Messrs Winter & Hay & Chr Schindler on the 31st January 1812 was ... £1373..3..5
Recd since up to 31 July 1812 ... 232..10..0
leaving the Balance £1140..13..5

That the Balance of the Accounts of persons who became Bankrupts between the 31st. January 1809 and the 31st. July following on the 31st. Janry 1812 was, - £ 2,530 .. 5 .. 4
rec.d Since up to 31st. July 1812 - 72 .. 9 .. 11
leaving the Balance - £ 2457 .. 15 .. 5

That the Balce of the Accounts, - accumulated between the 31st. July 1809 and the 31st. Janry 1810, on the 31st. January 1812, was - £ 10,238 .. 15 .. 3
rec.d Since up to 31st. July 1812. - 815 .. 10 .. 5
leaving the Balance £ 9,423 .. 4 .. 10

That the Balce of the Accounts, - accumulated between the 31st. Janry 1810 and the 31st. July 1810 was £ 11,368 .. 8 .. 3
rec.d Since up to 31st. July 1812, - 2,857 .. 5 .. 0
Balance remaining - 8,511 .. 3 .. 3
1/4 of which is recommended to be carr.d to Profit & Loss, being 2,127 .. 15 .. 9
leaving the Balance £ 6,383 .. 7 .. 6

That the Balce of the Accounts accumulated between 31 July 1810 and the 31 Janry 1811, on 31 Janry 1812 was £ 176,734 .. 14 .. 9
rec.d Since up to 31st. July 1812. 46,812 .. 12 .. 6
Balance remaining - 129,922 .. 2 .. 3
1/8th. of which is recommended to be carr.d to Profit & Loss, being. - 16,240 .. 5 .. 3
leaving the Balance. - £ 113,681 .. 17 .. 0

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That the Balce of the Accounts accumulated between the 31st Janry 1811 and the 31st July following, on the 31st January 1812 was ... £81,917..14..9
recd Since up to the 31st July 1812. 17,451..9..4
Balance remaining ... 64,466..5..5
1/8th of which is recommended to be carried to Profit & Loss being 8,058..5..8
leaving the Balance £56,407..19..9

That the Balce of the Accts accumulated between the 31st July 1811 and 31st Janry 1812 on the 31st Janry 1812 was £70,112..16..0
recd Since up to 31st July 1812 19,627..2..7
Balance remaining ... 50,485..13..5
1/8th of which is recommended to be carr.d to Profit & Loss, being 6,310..14..2
leaving a Balce of £44,174..19..3

That there are 18 New Accounts of Discounters who have become Bankrt, or Insolvent Since the 31st Janry 1812, whose Debts amount to £123,227..6..9
recd Since up to 31st July 1812 5,564..1..3
leaving the Balance ... 117,663..5..6
which Acounts being of so recent a Date, the Committee recommend to let the said Balance remain as it is at present.