

accounts or columns of the estates and property in said counties and city respectively, as required by the thirtieth section of the act of eighteen hundred and fifty-two, chapter three hundred and thirty-seven, entitled, an act to provide for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State.

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No. 3.

Passed Feb. 5, 1853. Preamble and resolution in relation to the Pay and Muster Rolls of the war of 1812.

WHEREAS, by an act passed by the Congress of the United States, entitled "an act granting bounty lands to certain officers and soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States," it is provided, that each of the surviving, or the widow or minor children of deceased commissioned and non-commissioned officers, musicians or privates, whether of regular, volunteers, rangers or militia, who performed military service in any regiment, company or detachment in the service of the United States in the war with Great Britain, declared by the United States on the eighteenth day of June, eighteen hundred and twelve, &c. ; *And whereas*, all of the muster and pay rolls of the officers and soldiers who served in the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, as above stated, containing the evidence of services of the officers and soldiers of the State of Maryland, were sent to the War Department, at Washington, or to the proper department to settle the accounts for their services aforesaid ; *And whereas*, many of the said officers and soldiers do not now recollect the names of the officers under whom they served, so as to assert their rights and establish their claims to the bounty lands under the above mentioned act of Congress, for the want of convenient access to said muster and pay rolls ; and many of the widows and minor children of deceased officers and soldiers are deprived of all the benefits of said acts of Congress for the want of the evidence of their claim to the bounty which can only be obtained by reference to said muster and pay rolls ; Therefore,

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,*  
That his Excellency the Governor be respectfully