

paid fifty dollars for summoning Brigadier General Riggs before the Bar of the House.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Speaker presented the following:

OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE,

Annapolis, Md., February 15, 1904.

Hon, George Y. Everhart,

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Sir:—The Governor directs me to transmit herewith a copy of President Roosevelt's reply to his communication enclosing certified copy of Joint Resolution of the General Assembly of Maryland requesting him to transport Federal troops to Baltimore, Maryland, for duty in connection with the recent fire.

Very truly,

OSWALD TILGHMAN,

Secretary of State.

WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON,

February 12th, 1904.

Sir:

I am in receipt of the following resolutions of the Legislature of the State of Maryland, duly certified by the Secretary of State of the State of Maryland, and authenticated by your signature as Governor thereof:

JOINT RESOLUTION.

“A Joint Resolution requesting the the President of the United States to direct the Secretary of War to despatch United States troops to Baltimore city.

“Whereas, An exigency has occurred by reason of a great conflagration in the city of Baltimore, which makes it desirable that troops shall be placed on guard around the burnt district in the said city, and

“Whereas, The police force of the said city and the available military force of the State have become exhausted by reason of long continued and arduous service,