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ians from the committee to whom so much of the President's Messages to the Military Affairs, reported from the Senate, referred to that respecting Corps of Engineers, amendments, which were ordered, and referred to the committee for to-morrow.

Mr. Turner another member of the committee of accounts. More asked leave of absence for on from Thursday next till the end of the month. Granted.

Mr. Desha took the chair in committee of the bill reported by the committee of the District of Columbia, relative to marriage licenses. By the laws of Maryland, operating in the Maryland part of the District, four dollars are paid for a marriage license, appropriated to schools, &c. This bill appropriates such money to schools in the District.

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Mr. Desha presented a petition from sundry persons praying permission to settle on the public lands by paying a certain annual rent. Referred to the committee on the public lands.

Mr. Newton from the committee of commerce and manufactures, made an unfavourable report on the petition of —, of New-York, praying the payment of certain debentures, in which the house concurred.

Mr. Tallmadge from the committee appointed on that subject, reported a bill providing for repairing the building purchased for the accommodation of the general post office and patent office. Read twice and referred to a committee of the whole house.

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The bill appropriates 960 2... of land. The bill was agreed to, con- sidered by the house and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

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An engrossed bill for the relief of the board of commissioners west of Pearl River, was read a third time and passed.

The bill for the relief of Christian Miller, passed.

The house went into committee of the whole, Mr. Breckenridge in the chair, on a bill repealing the 10th section of the act for incorporating the late Bank of the United States. The committee reported it to the house, and it was ordered to lie on the table.

Committee of the whole, Mr. Macon in the chair, on a bill fixing the salaries of certain officers of government.

report progress, and ask leave to sit again.— The committee rose, and the house granted it leave to sit again and then adjourned.

Thursday, Feb. 13. Mr. Fisk presented the petition of a revolutionary soldier for relief. Referred to a select committee.

Mr. Findley presented the memorial of certain inhabitants of Pennsylvania, complaining of the Post Office laws as violating the Sabbath. Referred as before.

The Speaker laid before the house, a communication from Mr. Tucker, the Treasurer, containing a statement of the accounts of that office from Oct. 1, 1810, to Oct. 1, 1811; also the accounts of that office with the war and navy department, for the same time. Laid on the table.

Leave was granted on motion of Mr. Bacon, to the committee of ways and means to set during the sitting of the house, the sooner to complete their revenue plans.

On motion of Mr. Poindexter the house proceeded to consider the resolution some time since offered by him, directing the committee of ways and means to enquire into the expediency of preventing the corporation of the city of New-Orleans laying a tax on boats descending the Mississippi laden with articles of the growth, produce or manufacture of the U. S. After a short debate, in which the resolution was opposed by Mr. Troup, it was carried.

Mr. Wright offered the following resolution: Resolved that a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of rendering the chamber of the House of Representatives more convenient to the dispatch of public business, and of finishing the same.— Resolution adopted.

Mr. Laccocke took the chair in committee of the whole on the bill for arming the whole body of the militia of the United States.

Mr. Williams spoke some time in favour of the bill. Two or three amendments were proposed, but not adopted. The committee of the whole rose and reported the bill without amendment.

The house immediately proceeded to consider it. Mr. Roberts moved to amend the bill so as to leave the distribution of the arms to the legislatures of the several states.

Mr. Sturges demanded the yeas and noes on this question.

Mr. Tallmadge spoke in favour of the amendment.

Mr. Randolph spoke in favour of the bill generally.

The amendment was carried by yeas and noes; yeas 70, noes 41.

Mr. Bigelow moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "or any part thereof," so as not to leave it to the discretion of the President, but direct him to furnish the arms for the whole; the bill providing that the President shall purchase or cause to be manufactured said arms or any part thereof.— Motion lost.

Messrs. Milnor and Nelson spoke against the security of the punishment for not furnishing lost arms or paying twenty dollars for them: the person so offending being liable to imprisonment till the money was paid, which might be for life. On motion of Mr. Nelson, the duration was made not to exceed three months.

BOSTON, FEB. 7. LATEST FROM ENGLAND.

The ship Mary, Capt. Taber, arrived at Newport, on Thursday the 6th inst. in 38 days from Liverpool, bringing London papers to the 26th of Dec. 5 days later than before received. They are said however to contain little else than American state papers. She is said to have brought from 2 to 3000 letters. The king had persisted a day or two in refusing food.

The Prince Regent, who had been confined from injury received by a fall, was again abroad.

Lords Fingall and Netterville had been taken into custody in Dublin for attending an incendiary Catholic meeting.

Admiral Sir Peter Parker died about the 20th Dec. at the advanced age of 95—near 80 of which he had spent in the navy.

The Duke of Clarence is appointed Admiral and Commander in Chief of the fleet of Great Britain & Ireland, in the room of Sir Peter Parker.

It was the general opinion of the merchants, that Parliament on their meeting Jan. 7, would cause the Orders in Council to be abrogated or satisfactorily modified.

It was said flour had been sold at Liverpool for 17 dollars per barrel.

The bulletin of the king of Dec. 24, leads to an opinion that he cannot long survive.— He still refused food.

French troops had been passing through Austria towards the Russian frontier. It is said preliminaries of peace have been signed between Russia and Turkey.

Expectations of an adjustment between the U. States and England appear to have been created from the settlement of the Chesapeake affair, and had damped the markets.

A Liverpool price current, Dec. 23, quotes pot ashes at 40 to 42s 6d, pearl 46 to 48s. Cotton (upland) 1s 2d to 1s 3d. Turpentine 15s to 19s 8d. Tar 32s to 34s 6d.— Pine timber 3s to 3s 1d. Flour 58s to 59s.

The price of Clover seed at Liverpool, Dec. 11, was 110s to 115s per cwt; Pearl ashes 45s to 48s.

Paris paper say, that the accounts of their different commanders, as to the loss of their 2 frigates off Madagascar, are so contradictory they know not what to believe. The capt. of La Clorinde is to be tried for performing his life to his honour.

Mr. Dutache, who had been for some time on parole in England, on returning to France was immediately taken up and shot, for some alleged act committed against the French government.

The beginning of Dec. there was lying at Morlaix the French privateer schooner La Fare, said to be principally manned with Americans, Irish and English.

The Two Brothers, at St. Maloes, has permission to depart with the amount of her cargo.

The Adventure, at Nantes, has also liberty to sail.

Note. Other reclamations are under examination, whereof the result may shortly be expected.

The Flash, sailed from Bourdeaux on the 4th of January, in company with the French schrs. La Melaine, and L'Herondille, for N. York. Left brig Clio, and ship Lark, both from N. York, just arrived; ships Susan & Emeline, Philadelphia, and Inca, of Baltimore. The ship Helen, of Philadelphia had arrived at La Teste.

Extract of a letter from a very respectable Merchant in Bourdeaux, to his friend in this city, dated the 20th December; received by the Flash.

"If we may believe the general reports in circulation, some definitive commercial arrangement is negotiating at Paris with Mr. Barlow, the American minister, and it is said, the result will be satisfactory. The U. S. frigate Constitution, is expected to sail in all this month, or early in Jan. and will probably be the bearer of interesting news."

By His Excellency ROBERT BOWIE, Esquire, Governor of the State of Maryland.

A PROCLAMATION. Whereas it has been represented to me by the mayor of the city of Baltimore, and the attorney-general of the state of Maryland, that an atrocious murder hath been committed on the person of a certain VINCENT LE HERMITE, late of the city of Baltimore, (barber) by some unknown hand; and praying the interposition of government: And whereas the quiet and security of the state depend on the vigilance of the constituted authorities, in causing the law against such enormities to be duly executed; I have therefore thought proper to issue this my proclamation, and do by and with the advice and consent of the council, hereby offer a reward of

TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS, To whoever will discover the author or perpetrator of the said murder; provided he, she or any of them be convicted thereof; and moreover, I do, by virtue of the authority and powers vested in me, hereby promise a full and free PARDON, to any person, being an accomplice, who shall discover the perpetrator or perpetrators of the aforesaid murder on the said condition. Given in council at the city of Annapolis, under the seal of the state of Maryland, this thirty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the thirty-sixth.

Robert Bowie. By his Excellency's command, NINIAN PINKNEY, Clk. of the Council. To be published twice in each week for the space of four weeks in the Maryland Republican and Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis—the Whig, American, Sun and Federal Gazette, at Baltimore—Intelligencer, at Washington—Bartgis's paper, at Frederick-town—Maryland Herald, at Hagar's-town—Star, at Easton. 2 sw. Feb. 3.

State of Maryland, se. By Anne-Arundel County Orphans Court, February 4th, 1812.

On application by petition, of Christopher Jackson and William Warfield, executors of the last will and testament of Milbourn Sigell, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, it is ordered that they give the notice required by law for creditors to bring in their claims against the said deceased, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of six successive weeks in the Maryland Gazette. John Gassaway, Reg. Wills, A. A. County.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE. THAT the subscribers, of Anne-Arundel county, hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, in Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of Milbourn Sigell, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, on or before the first day of June next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under our hands this fourth day of February 1812.

Christopher Jackson, } Exrs. William Warfield, }

NOTICE. ALL persons are forewarned from hunting, either with dog or gun, or trespassing in any way whatever, on my Farms, known by the names of Belmont and Thomas's Point, or on my lands lying on Oyster, Fishing and Smith's Creeks, as the law will be put in force against any offender. GEREMIAH T. CHASE, Nov. 7, 1811.

NEW-YORK, FEB. 14. LATEST FROM FRANCE. The Flash—This successful French trading pilot-boat schooner, which arrived at this port on Wednesday night, left Bourdeaux on the 4th ult. We have received no papers; but by letters and from verbal communications to the editors of the N. Y. Gazette they can state, that the several American vessels quoted under the marine head, had actually been restored by order of the emperor.

The U. S. frigate Constitution, capt. Hull, was to leave France early in January; and it was supposed there, that she would bring important despatches from our minister Joel Barlow, who, it was reported, had nearly completed some commercial arrangement with the French government.

By the pilot-boat schooner Flash, captain Mather, arrived this morning in 27 days from Bourdeaux, we have received the following list of vessels restored to their owners. The list is undoubtedly correct, as it was furnished capt. Mather, by Mr. Mayer, the American consul at Bourdeaux.

Ship —, at Amsterdam, burthen about 300 tons, belonging to Le Roy, Bayard and McEvers, having a cargo of tea on board, admitted by paying duties.

The Star, at Boulogne, permission to depart and go to Dunkirk to load.

The Pocahontas, at Toulon, permission to depart and to go to Marseilles to load.

The Acastus with a cargo of tobacco, had been visited by British vessels—captured under the Berlin and Milan decrees, has been given up, together with her cargo.

The ship Whampoa, of New-York, has permission to import her cargo, and to export the amount thereof.