

On motion by Mr. Duvall, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to pay the civil list and other expenses of civil government. Ordered, That Messrs. Duvall, Stoddert and Claude, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Culbreth delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the support of James Ridgaway of Caroline county ; Mr. Pitt delivers a bill, entitled, An act to increase the allowance to sheriffs for keeping prisoners in gaol and finding them victuals in the several counties therein mentioned ; which were severally read.

Mr. Duvall delivers a petition from Jonathan Waters, and Sarah Ann his wife, of the city of Annapolis, praying for the sale of certain lands in Anne Arundel county in which they have a life estate ; which was read and referred to Messrs. Duvall, Sellman and Claude.

Mr. Bradford from the committee delivers the following report :

The committee to whom was referred the report of the auditor, with the accompanying documents, on the claim of John Norris, of Harford county, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that the said John Norris is justly entitled to the amount of the account as returned by the auditor ; they therefore recommend the following resolution :

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and directed, to pay to John Norris, of Harford county, or to his order, the sum of sixty-four dollars and eighty-nine cents.

By order,

M. LATIMER, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Kell from the committee delivers the following reports :

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Basil Burgess, a native of the state of Maryland, but now an inhabitant of the state of Kentucky, an old revolutionary soldier, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted ; they therefore recommend the following resolution :

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and directed, to pay unto Basil Burgess, or to his order, annually, in quarterly payments, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a lieutenant, during his life, as a further remuneration for those services rendered his country during her struggle for independence.

By order,

M. LATIMER, Clk.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Doctors Mackenzie and Smyth, of the city of Baltimore, beg leave to report, That having considered of the subject referred to them, they are deeply impressed with the great utility of the institution for which aid is solicited. An hospital, extensive in its plan, judicious in its arrangement, and liberal in its regulations, presents, in the opinion of your committee, an object well worthy the kindest patronage of the state. They therefore beg leave to submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That Doctors Colin Mackenzie and James Smyth, attending physicians to the hospital in the vicinity of Baltimore, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to negotiate and borrow from such of the banks within this state as may be disposed to lend, a sum of money not exceeding five thousand dollars annually, for the term of six years, which several loans this state assumes, and engages to pay and discharge, with legal interest thereon within three years next after they shall be severally made ; Provided that the said Colin Mackenzie and James Smyth, previous to the receipt by them of any part of the money to be borrowed as aforesaid, give bond to the state of Maryland, with security to be approved by the governor and council, in the penal sum of sixty thousand dollars, conditioned that the sum or sums of money to be received by them under and in virtue of this resolution, shall be applied to the purpose of erecting additional buildings adjacent to the said hospital, and for making such other improvements connected therewith, which may be found useful and necessary in promoting the objects of that institution.

By order,

M. LATIMER, Clk.

Which were severally read.

Mr. C. Stewart from the committee delivers the following report :

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Nicholson, praying for a road to be opened through the land of Edward Hall, beg leave to report, That they have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that the county courts in the several counties in this state possess power and authority to grant the opening of all private roads ; and it does not appear to your committee that the road prayed for is intended for any public use, they think it would be an improper interference with the powers already delegated to the said courts ; they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

G. MURDOCK, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Potts delivers a petition from Michael Boyer, an officer of the revolution, praying compensation for his services ; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Taney and Davis.

Mr. Posey from the committee delivers the following report :

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Eleanor Montgomery of Charles county, beg leave to report, That they have taken her case into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, and recommend the adoption of the bill accompanying this report.

By order,

M. LATIMER, Clk.

Which was read the first and second time by special order and concurred in.

The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Eleanor Montgomery, accompanying the said report, was read the first and second time by special order and passed.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, the following resolutions were read the first and second time by special order and assented to :

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay to Thomas Thompson, of Dorchester county, an old soldier, or his order, during life, in quarterly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a compensation for his services in the late revolutionary war.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay to Nathan Griffin, of Dorchester county, an old soldier, or his order, annually, during life, in quarterly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a compensation for his services in the late revolutionary war.