

papers relating to said office, to the Land Office of the Western Shore;

Which was twice read, and the question put, "will the house adopt the order;"

Resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Maffitt, chairman of the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, to which was referred the petition of Henry Crook, praying for a pension, made a favorable report thereon accompanied with the following resolution.

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of the western shore, be, and he is hereby authorised and required to pay to Henry Crook of the city of Baltimore, or to his order during life, in quarterly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, in consideration of the services rendered by him during the revolutionary war.*

Which was read the first and second time by special order, and assented to.

Mr. Maffitt, chairman of the same committee to which were referred the petitions of Patsy Blake, widow of John Blake, late of Worcester county, and of Noble Butler of the city of Annapolis, and of Caleb Stewart of Anne Arundel county, severally praying for pensions, made unfavorable reports thereon;

Which were severally read the first and second time by special order, and concurred in.

Mr. Carter of Montgomery, from the select committee appointed to inquire and report to the house by what authority the papers relating to a Theatrical exhibition were laid on the desks of the members of the house, and by what authority the said papers were headed, "under the patronage of the House of Delegates:"—

Delivered the following report.

The committee appointed to inquire and report to this house, by what authority the papers relating to a Theatrical exhibition were laid on the desks of the members of this house, and by what authority the said papers were headed "under the patronage of the House of Delegates," respectfully report:—

That in the performance of the duties assigned them, they summoned before them the managers of the Theatre; from whose testimony it appears, that at their instance, and by their authority alone, a play bill was on Monday last, directed to each member of the House of Delegates, and of the Senate, and laid upon the desks of the several members of both houses.