

been allowed for a service of the nature of that spoken of in the petition, but they cannot see why in the present case it should not be. The prayer of the petitioner, and the concurrent testimony of those who petition with and for him, leave no doubt on the minds of the committee that a great and signal service has been rendered the agricultural interest of the State, by the exertions of the petitioner. In view of this great service, and the advanced age of the petitioner, and actuated by a desire to make his days, which, in the language of the memorial, "are already numbered, and can at most be but few," comfortable, we beg leave to submit the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore pay to Henry Locker, or order, the sum of one hundred dollars per annum, in quarterly payments during his life, out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury.

All which is respectfully submitted,
JOHN MERCER, Ch'o.

By order,
S. W. Lucas, Clerk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Spence, from the committee on grievances and courts of justice, reported a bill, entitled, an act to change the times of holding the November term of Somerset county court;

Which was read the first, and by a special order the second time, and passed.

Mr. Duvall reported a bill, entitled, an act for the benefit of the German Reformed Congregation of Frederick;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Merrick, the house took up for consideration the bill reported by him, as chairman of the committee on ways and means, entitled, an act to provide ways and means to complete the works of Internal Improvement, and to promote the agriculture, commerce and manufactures of this State.

Mr. Merrick then moved to lay said bill on the table, and make it the order of the day for Thursday next, the 24th inst.

The Speaker announced that the hour had arrived for taking up the orders of the day.

Mr. Merrick moved to postpone all the orders of the day. Resolved in the affirmative.