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APPENDIX.—RESOLUTIONS.

war and in peace, as will tend to preserve the liberties we now enjoy, and perpetuate the blessings derived from our independence: And whereas, also, if any of our citizens fall in battle, fighting in the cause of his country, leaving behind a name endeared to us by the recollection of his virtues, his bravery, and his devotion to the liberties of the republic, it behoves us in the spirit of the same policy, to shew, in the most public and pointed manner, our respect for that citizen, our regret for his loss and our gratitude for his services: And whereas, William S. Bush, late a citizen of this state, and a Lieutenant in the marine corps of the United States, in the late action between "The Constitution," one of our frigates, and "The Guerriere," an enemy, an English frigate, fell fighting in the most gallant and heroic manner, the battles of his country, and in her cause;

Relative to the
late Lieut. Wm. S.
Bush

THEREFORE, RESOLVED, That to shew the respect to his memory which we feel, and which it deserves; and to evince the high regard which this legislature entertains for bravery and patriotism, such as he displayed, its gratitude for his services and regret for his loss, the governor and council of this state be, and they are hereby directed, to purchase an appropriate golden medal, which they shall present, in the name of this state, to the nearest surviving male relation of the said Lieutenant William S. Bush.

RESOLVED ALSO, That the treasurer of the western shore pay out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars to the order of the governor and council, so that the object of these resolutions may be carried into effect.

No. 12.

Passed Dec. 24
In favour of debtors
to the state

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered, in all cases of debts due to this state, where judgments have been obtained, and the defendants are subject to execution, upon application being made to them, and being fully satisfied that the said debt for which an indulgence is prayed is well and sufficiently secured, and upon such applicant paying six per cent. interest and all costs due thereon, to stay any further proceedings against such debtors, until the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fourteen, and the said debtors to the state against whom judgments are obtained for principal and fifteen per cent. interest, are hereby released from nine per cent. of the said interest, upon their making payment of the principal and six per cent. interest and costs, on or before the first day of January, eighteen hundred and fourteen: Provided, that any judgments upon which proceedings may be stayed as aforesaid, shall continue and remain in full force, and executions may be issued thereon at any time after the expiration of such stay.

No. 17.

Passed Dec. 30
Relative to certain
officers of the
navy of the U.
States

RESOLVED, That the governor of this state be, and he is hereby requested, to address in the name of the state of Maryland, letters to the following named officers of the navy of the United States, expressive of the very high sense entertained of the intrepidity, gallantry, good conduct and services of themselves and crews, in their several engagements with the enemy, in which they supereminently distinguished themselves: