1812 & directors of the Potomac Company.

ing the funds of said company, and upon the President and Directors giving bond with such security as the treasurer may approve of for the reimbursement of the principal in installments of three four & five years, with interest upon the whole amount of principal from the date of the transfer and the payment of such interest annually,

Passed Dec. 23, 1812. Relative to a sword intended to have been presented to the late John Davis.

WHEREAS, By a resolution of the General Assembly of Maryland, of November session of eighteen hundred and six, the Governor and Council were authorised and required to procure three elegant swords and belts with an appropriate engraving and motto, emblematic of the glorious actions fought off Tripoli, and cause the same to be delivered to Charles Gordon, John Tripp and John Davis, in testimony of the high sense of approbation the Legislature of this state entertained of their gallant conduct; and whereas, by the death of John Davis before the resolution could be fully carried into effect, the sword intended for him now remains in the Council Chamber; Therefore,

RESOLVED, That the Governor and Council be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to present to the nearest surviving male relation of the said John Davis, the sword thus intended for the said

John Davis,

No. 8.

Passed Dec. 23, 1812. Relative to

WHEREAS, It is not only a generous and noble, but also a wise policy in us, as a free and republican government, to distinguish with our highest approbation, expressed in the most pointed and emphatic manthe late lieut. ner, such of our citizens as evince by their actions a particular devotion Wm. S. Bush. to the common weal, so that all may be stimulated to virtuous actions, conscious that if it is deserved they will experience the gratitude of their country; and thus an holy emulation will be excited amongst us, in performing such deeds both in 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 behaves 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 Guerrier," an enemy, an English frigate, fell fighting in the most gallant and heroic manner, the battles of his country, and in her cause,

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.

Passed Dec. 23, 1812.

general.

No. 9. RESOLVED, That the Examiner General shall lay before the next General Assembly the amount of fees that he may receive in the present year on oath; and that the treasurer of the Western Shore thereafter pay to him or his order, such sum in addition to said fees as shall the examiner amount to three hundred pounds for the present year.