

The Speaker laid before the House, the following communication:

*To the Honorable, the General Assembly of Maryland.*

In pursuance of the requirements of the Act of Assembly of 1809, chapter 181, section 2, I, George H. Carman, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore county, have the honor to submit the following, Report, viz:

That the regular March term of said court, commencing on the first Monday of March 1857, continued twenty-three days during all of which the Honorable John H. Price, Judge of said court, was present.

That an adjourned session of said term, was held commencing on the 25th day of August, and continued for nineteen days, upon seventeen of which said John H. Price, Judge, was present.

That the November term of said court commencing on the twenty-third day of said month, is now in progress and has been held up to date, said Judge being daily present.

Given under my hand this 1st day of December, A. D. 1857.

GEORGE H. CARMAN, Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Alexander,

The rules were suspended, and

Leave was granted to the committee on Pensions, to bring in a bill to correct an error in the Act of Assembly, passed at January session 1856, chapter 77, and to pay to Joseph Benson, one year's additional pension of which he was deprived by said error:

Mr. Alexander, from the committee on Judiciary, reported favorably upon the Senate bill entitled, an act to secure the more speedy payment of the bailiffs, crier and talismen, of the Circuit Court for Carroll county.

Which was read the second time.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on Pensions, reported favorably on a bill entitled, an act to allow a pension to Catharine S. McKim, widow of Alexander McKim, a private in the cavalry in the war of the Revolution, and appropriating a sum of money for the payment thereof.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on Pensions, reported favorably upon a bill entitled, an act allowing a pension to Ellen Shank, widow of John Shank, a soldier of the Maryland Line, during the Revolutionary war, and appropriating a sum of money for the payment thereof;