

tion, to report a bill to sell free negroes and mulattoes of this State, for debts contracted by themselves.

On motion of Mr. Schnebly,

Leave was granted to the Washington county delegation, to introduce a bill to incorporate the Trustees of Oak Grove school house in Washington county, Maryland;

Which was referred to the Washington county delegation.

On motion of Mr. Schnebly,

Leave was granted to the Washington county delegation, to introduce a bill to authorise and empower the County Commissioners for Washington county to enlarge, extend, modify or add to, the Court House in Washington county.

On motion of Mr. Contee,

Leave was granted to the Prince George's county delegation, to introduce a bill to incorporate Patuxent Lodge No. 45, I. O. O. F., at Laurel Factory.

Mr. Mackubin proposed the following resolutions:

*Concurrent Resolutions in reference to the Claims of Revolutionary Soldiers:*

Resolved, That we have witnessed with pleasure, the efforts which were made during the recent session of Congress for the final settlement and payment of our Revolutionary debt. We consider that our Government is under the most solemn obligation to carry out the promises of the Continental Congress, as contained in the resolutions of the 21st of October, 1780, January 7th, 1781, and March 8th, 1785, by allowing to the officers of the Revolutionary Army the half pay for life, to which they are entitled, under those resolutions, for the payment of which the National faith is pledged; and all those Senators and members who have taken an active interest in behalf of the officers of the Revolution, there widows and children, are entitled to the thanks and gratitude of the country.

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives, in Congress be instructed to advocate and vote for a bill to provide for the final settlement and payment of the half pay for life which was promised by the Continental Congress to the officers of the Revolutionary Army who should serve to the end of the war, or until the time of their reduction, deducting the value of the commutation certificates issued in their names; and that the amount found due be paid to the officers if alive, and if dead, to his widow and children equally, of such deceased officer; and that suitable provision be made for the widows and children and other representatives of those officers who were killed in battle or died in the service; and that such bill conform to the principles and promises con-