

commissioners of Howard District of Anne Arundel county, to mortgage certain property therein mentioned;

Read the first and by special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Boggs reported a bill entitled, an act to incorporate the Barren Creek Wharf Company in Somerset county;

Read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Hollman from the committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims made the following

#### REPORT:

The committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims, to which was referred the order of the House of Delegates of the 17th of January, in relation to granting a pension to Mrs. Eleanor B. Watkins, widow of Gassaway Watkins, an officer in the revolution, most respectfully report, that

Whereas, The Legislature has, in all cases, granted to the widows of meritorious officers of the revolution the pensions of their husbands for the few remaining days they have to live amongst us:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore of Maryland pay to Eleanor B. Watkins, or order, during life, the half pay of a captain, in consideration of the gallant services rendered by her husband, Gassaway Watkins, during the revolutionary war.

Which was read the first and by special order the second time, assented to and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Willis reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise the drawing of a lottery for the purpose of building a wharf at the town of Oxford in Talbot county;

Read the first time and referred to the committee on Lotteries.

Mr. Schley reported a bill entitled, an act to authorise Richard Gibson, Solomon Krise, Jeremiah Groff, Robert Allison and Joseph Crabbs, to sell and convey a certain piece of ground in Frederick;

Read the first and by special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. Braddock reported a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Robert and Chloe Ann Soper of Montgomery county.

Mr. Richardson reported a bill entitled, an act to abolish magistrates' courts in Dorchester county, and to extend the jurisdiction of a single justice of the peace in the said county:

Said bills were severally read the first and by special order the second time, passed and sent to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Spencer,

The House took up the bill entitled, an act for the incorporation of Potomac Lodge No. 31, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Hagerstown;

The question being on assenting to the amendment proposed by the Senate,