

now an obligation on the State to give him some compensation for his services and his labour, and that as a matter of right and of justice he is entitled to it.

The committee therefore report, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the order of John McHenry Esq., of Allegany county, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one thousand dollars, as a compensation on the part of the State, for editing and publishing the first, second and the third volumes of Harris & McHenry's Maryland Reports.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table

Mr. Murray reported a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act for the general valuation and assessment of property in this State, and to provide a tax to pay the debts of the State, passed at March session 1841, chapter 23 ;

Mr. Waters, of Somerset, reported a bill entitled, an act to confirm and make valid the proceedings of the commissioners of Somerset county :

Mr. Fitzpatrick reported a bill entitled, an act for altering and amending the road from Flint Stone to Old Town in Allegany county :

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

Mr. Carey reported a bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish pilots and regulate their fees, passed at November session eighteen hundred and three ;

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Yellott chairman of the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to establish magistrates courts in the several counties, and to prescribe their jurisdiction, made an unfavorable report thereon ;

Which was read the first and second time by special order and concurred in, and the bill rejected.

Mr. Waters of Somerset from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the petitions of sundry citizens of Prince George's county, praying the passage of a law to prohibit attorneys from charging commissions on claims collected by them, made an unfavorable report thereon ;

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Calvert,

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potter from the committee on Grievances and Courts of Justice, to which was referred the petition of George H. Lambert, Charles A. Fletcher, William E. Doyle and sixty-two other citizens of Washington county, praying the passage of a law to elect constables by the people, to require constables to pay over