

## Maryland Gazette.

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1810.

### MESSAGE,

Communicated by the President of the United States to both Houses of Congress on Wednesday last.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States,

THE act authorising a detachment of one hundred thousand men from the militia, will expire on the 30th of March next. Its early revival is recommended, in order that timely steps may be taken for arrangements such as the act contemplated.

Without interfering with the modifications rendered necessary by the defects, or the inefficacy of the laws restrictive of commerce and navigation, or with the policy of disallowing to foreign armed vessels the use of our waters; it falls within my duty to recommend also, that in addition to the precautionary measure authorised by that act, and to the regular troops, for completing the legal establishment of which enlistments are renewed, every necessary provision may be made, for a volunteer force of twenty thousand men, to be enlisted for a short period, and held in a state of organization and readiness, for actual service, at the shortest warning.

I submit to the consideration of congress, moreover, the expediency of such a classification and organization of the militia as will best insure prompt and successive aids from that source, adequate to emergencies, which may call for them.

It will rest with them also to determine how far further provision may be expedient for putting into actual service, if necessary, any part of the naval armament not now employed.

At a period presenting features in the conduct of foreign powers towards the United States, which impose on them the necessity of precautionary measures involving expense, it is a happy consideration, that such is the solid state of the public credit, that reliance can be justly placed on any legal provision that may be made for resorting to it, in a convenient form, and to an adequate amount.

JAMES MADISON.

January 3, 1810.

General Wilkinson.

Extract of a letter from General Wilkinson, to a member of Congress, at Washington, dated Natchez, Dec. 6, 1809.

"The indulgence offered me by the Executive to present myself at the seat of government, will prove unavailing should gen. Hampton's arrival here be unseasonably delayed, because I cannot move before his presence may enable me to devolve on him the executive and complicated command of his department; and I must afterwards, for the tenth time, commit myself to the ocean, as the season and my health both forbid my traversing the wilderness."

The legislature of S. Carolina, previous to its adjournment lately, passed an act imposing a fine of 500 dollars on any person making insurance on buildings in that city, in a foreign office, & also a fine of 1000 dollars on any person who shall attempt to take risques for foreign offices.

Sailing against Time.

To decide a bet, that the distance between the Battery and the Lighthouse at Sandy Hook, (N. York,) could not be run by any vessel in one hour and a half, the pilot boat New Thorn started on Saturday, the 24th ult. and accomplished it in 1 h. 20 m.—The distance is universally admitted to be from 21 to 22 miles, and by the least calculation she must have sailed at the rate of 16 miles an hour.

### TOULON FLEET.

Capt. Taylor, of the brig Eliza, arrived at Charleston, in 43 days from Gibraltar. The day he sailed, early in November, news arrived at Gibraltar, that adm. Sir J. T. Duckworth's squadron had fallen in with the French fleet from Toulon; that they had destroyed three French line of battle ships, taken a number of transports, and were pursuing the others.

Another account is brought by the Newton, arrived at Baltimore, which corroborates the above.

### FROM LISBON.

Arrived at N. York, the ship Syren, Doan, from Lisbon, which port she left on the 23d November.

Captain D. states that it was reported at Lisbon that Lord Collingwood had fallen in with a French fleet coming out of the Straits of Gibraltar, and had destroyed 3 or 4 sail of the line & 20 transports—that all was quiet at Lisbon, and no intelligence had been received of any recent battle having occurred between the British & French armies in Spain.

On the 20th Nov. the British army, of about 15,000 men, were on the frontiers of Portugal. Lord Wellington & gen. Beresford were at Lisbon on the 16th Nov. Three hundred transports were in the Tagus, with the Barfluer, of 98 guns, adm. Berkely, a frigate and several brigs.

### FROM CADIZ.

Ship Village, Swift, has arrived at New-Bedford from Cadiz—passage said to be short—Reports that the British had been ordered to quit Spain.

The pilot boat schooner Flash, capt. Minugh, has arrived at New-York also from Cadiz, in 51 days, and 12 from St. Bartholomews. Lord Wellington, the British commander in chief, had embarked for England two days previous to the sailing of the Flash, in the Donnegal, of 74 guns. The report at St. Bartholomews was, that the British were on the eve of proceeding from Barbadoes to attack Guadaloupe.

A letter from St. Bartholomews, dated the 17th ult. states, "that there is a large British fleet arrived in those seas in quest of a French squadron."

C. F. Grandison, of the ship Montezuma, (lately arrived at N. York from Liverpool) has drawn a prize of 20,000l. sterling in the British lottery.

[N. Y. paper.]

### French Conscription.

The amount of the conscriptional force of France from the year 1806 to 1810, inclusive, is stated at 1,867,000. From this aggregate force there have been drawn 520,000 men, making the annual drain of young men from the population of France, something more than 100,000. This complement we suppose is necessary to keep up the French army to its full amount, and to repair the losses which it sustains annually by wars, sickness, and other casualties. In five years these losses, according to this computation, have amounted to above half a million of men.—This conscription or blood tribute which Buonaparte obliges France to pay, is always a year in anticipation. Thus the year 1809 is not concluded, and we find that 110,000 of the conscription for the year 1810 have actually been raised, and 36,000 more demanded. The French minister of war begins also to speak of the conscription of 1811, though he does not advise Buonaparte to call that out, unless events should deceive his hopes and pacific intentions.

[Boston paper.]

The legislature of Delaware, agreeably to law, was to convene at Dover on the 2d inst. The appointment of a senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Samuel White, Esq. will it is expected take place immediately.

### A List of Laws,

PASSED NOVEMBER SESSION, 1809.

- No. 1. AN ACT to settle and ascertain the salary of the members of the council for the ensuing year.
2. An ACT for the relief of John Cooper, of Anne-Arundel county.
3. An ACT for the support of William Wheler, of Montgomery county.
4. An ACT to alter and change the names of Samuel, William and Jacob Coale, to Samuel, William and Jacob Cagle.
5. An ACT for the relief of Patrick Gil laspy, of Caroline county.
6. An ACT to give validity and operation to the deed of conveyance therein mentioned.
7. An ACT authorising John Hunter, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection.
8. An ACT to authorise a lottery in Frederick county.
9. An ACT to authorise and empower the levy court of Baltimore county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purpose therein mentioned.
10. An ACT for the relief of Anne McGill, of Saint-Mary's county.
11. An ACT to confirm an act passed at one session, eighteen hundred and nine, entitled, An act to alter the thirty second and thirty seventh articles of the constitution and form of government.
12. An ACT for the relief of James Sheridan, of Harford county.
13. An ACT annulling the marriage of Thomas Burk, and Elizabeth his wife, of Frederick county.
14. An ACT for the relief of Adam Barkstraser, of Washington county.
15. An ACT to empower the trustee herein after named to sell certain lands of the late William O'Bryan, deceased, situate, lying and being, in Queen-Anne's county, and for other purposes therein mentioned.
16. An ACT for the relief of William Gibson, of Harford county.
17. An ACT to alter and change a part of a road in Anne-Arundel county.
18. An ACT authorising the levy court of Washington county to open a road in said county.
19. An ACT for the benefit of Lucas Shock, of Washington county.
20. An ACT to lay out and open a road from the lower end of William Darne's lane to intersect the public road leading from John Orme's plantation to Montgomery court-house at or near the Union mills.
21. An ACT for the benefit of the heirs of William Murphy.
22. An ACT to fix the mode of electing senators to represent this state in the senate of the United States.
23. An ACT for the relief and benefit of Clement Brooke, of Baltimore county.
24. An ACT annulling the marriage of Amelia Peters, of Queen-Anne's county.
25. An ACT confirming the right of John Miers and Herbert Wier to a tract of land called Contest.
26. An ACT to repeal the act, entitled, An act for the preservation of the navigation of Cabin creek in Dorchester county.
27. An ACT authorising Buckler Bond, of Harford county, to erect gates in the road therein mentioned.
28. An ACT authorising the register of the land office of the western shore, under the direction of the chancellor, to issue a patent to George Churchman, and others, for the land or lot therein mentioned.
29. An ACT to confirm certain acts of justices of the peace who hold or have held offices under the general government.
30. An ACT authorising the levy court of Montgomery county to levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of David Hamilton, of Montgomery county.
31. An ACT for the support of Elizabeth Reid, of Montgomery county.
32. An ACT for the support of Azariah Philip and Ninian Riggs, of Anne-Arundel county.
33. An ACT to authorise the levy court of Washington county to appoint commissioners to lay off the road therein mentioned.
34. An ACT to extend Aisquith-street in the eastern precincts of Baltimore.
35. An ACT respecting Trinity church in the city of Baltimore.
36. An ACT for the benefit of the heirs of doctor Daniel Jenifer.
37. An ACT empowering the trustees of the poor of Harford county to sell and convey certain property therein mentioned.
38. An ACT to alter and abolish all that part of the constitution which permits certain citizens of Annapolis to vote for delegates for Anne-Arundel county.
39. An ACT for the support of Matthew Bradburn, of Montgomery county.

40. An ACT to lay out and open a road in Frederick county.

41. An ACT to appoint trustees other than Griffith, of Baltimore county, for other purposes.

42. An ACT to incorporate the Baltimore Carpenters Humane Society.

43. An ACT to appoint commissioners to review the road therein mentioned in said county.

44. An ACT to authorise and empower the levy court of Anne-Arundel county to assess and levy a sum of money for the support and maintenance of Elisha Porter and Achsah Porter, who are idiots.

45. An ACT authorising doctor Cocke to remove certain negroes into the county of Maryland.

46. An ACT to alter and change the mode of holding the elections in the first district in Kent county.

47. An ACT to confirm the title in and to a part of a tract of land in Cecil county.

48. An ACT for the relief of the Congregational High Dutch reformed Christian church in Frederick-town, and other persons therein named.

49. An ACT for the sale of part of the real estate of Conrad Eisten, late of Baltimore county, deceased.

50. An ACT annulling the marriage of Susanna Beamer, of the city of Baltimore.

51. An ACT for the support of John Orme, of Baltimore county.

52. An ACT for the relief of James Talbot, of Talbot county.

53. A Further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the stock in the Union Bank of Maryland.

54. An ACT to authorise Elizabeth Pot, of Frederick county, to dispose of land therein mentioned.

55. An ACT to lay out and straighten a certain road in Harford county.

56. An ACT to empower the inhabitants of the town of Havre-de-Grace to elect commissioners thereof.

57. A Further supplement to an act authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for repairing of Saint-George's church in Deer creek, in Harford county.

58. An ACT for the benefit of Eli Barner, of Washington county.

59. An ACT to empower the administrator of Joseph Baxter, late sheriff of Allegany county, to collect the fees put into the hands of the said Baxter for collection in his lifetime.

60. An ACT authorising William late sheriff and collector of Allegany county to complete his collection.

61. An ACT authorising Thomas C. well to remove his negroes from the state of Virginia into this state.

62. An ACT to admit persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath to swear jurors.

63. An ACT to authorise the drawing of a lottery or lotteries in Middle-town, in Frederick county.

64. An ACT to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from French on Elk river, in Cecil county, in the state of Maryland, to the Delaware line, in relation towards the town of New-Castle.

65. An ACT to repeal and abolish the forty-fifth article of the constitution and form of government.

66. An ACT for the relief of John C. bell, of Queen-Anne's county.

67. An ACT annulling the marriage of Ephraim Furniss, and Polly his wife, of Somerset county.

68. An ACT providing for the payment of the costs which accrued upon the estate of Thomas Burk, in Washington county, March term, one thousand eight hundred and nine.

69. An ACT to lay out a road in Baltimore county.

70. An ACT to lay out, straighten and mend, a certain road in Harford county.

71. An ACT authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for the purpose of building a building to be called the Baltimore male Academy.

72. An ACT for the benefit of the children of John Green, late of Dorchester county, deceased.

73. An ACT authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money to purchase a fire engine to erect a house with an alarm bell thereon in the western precincts of Baltimore.

74. An ACT authorising John M. Williams, late sheriff and collector of Saint-Mary's county, to complete his collection.

75. An ACT to authorise a lottery or lotteries in Frederick county.

76. A Supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the recovery of small debts in court, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned.