...that a quorum of the ...being formed are ready to ...dress himself and to receive ...communication he may think ...to lay before them.

...that the following com... be appointed, viz. a com... of claims to consist of se... members; of elections and pri... to consist of five members; ...vances and courts of justice, ...sist of five members, and of ...and means to consist of five ...ers; and that the members of ...id committee be named by the ...r.

...message was sent to the se... informing that body that a ...n being formed and the house ...eed, they are prepared to ...ed with the business of the ...n.

...ered. That Messrs Kennedy, ...enridge and E. S. Thomas be ...ted a committee to co sider ...stice and expediency of ex... to those persons professing ...wish religion the same privi... that are enjoyed by Chris...

PETITIONS.

...m the grand and petit jurors ...rles county for March ter... for a levy to build a court... From Richard M. Anson, ...port slaves. From the master ...nics of the city of Baltimore, ...law for the better regulation ...prentices From sundry inhabitants o... the fifth election district ...A. county, for an alteration ...place of holding said electi... From sundry inhabitants of So... t, to prevent the hauling of ...in the Tangier Sounds. From ...y inhabitants of Baltimore, to ...nt the erection of booths at ...meetings. A memorial from ...as Fairfax of Virginia, that ...of money paid to the trea... of the W. S. by him for the ...of the state to subscribe for ...s in the Union Bank of Mary... be refunded to him, with in... the bank having refused to ...the said subscription. Seve... read and referred.

Thursday, Dec. 10.

...nuel Clagett, a delegate from ...e-George's, appeared, qualifi... took his seat.

PETITIONS.

...om the trustees of the poor of ...e-Anne's, for a levy to dis... the debts due by them. From ...erine Moran, of Charles, for ...pport for herself and children. Levin Pirsonett and wife, ...divorce. From Jacob Broyz ...o Frederick, for a divorce. Lydia True, Theophilus Da... and Eleanor Long, of St. Ma... to be supported. From sundry ...ns of Maryland and Virginia, ...bridge over the Potomac at ...herds-town, also from John ...ford and Thomas Van Swear... relative thereto. From Paul ...ree, a revolutionary soldier. Priscilla Nichols of Montgo..., that the time limited for her ...cation relative to a negro, may ...tended. From sundry inhabi... of Harford, for a review of ...oad from Belle Air to the Ro... Catholic Church. From Wm. ...ryman of Baltimore, to be re... ted in Baltimore county court ...r suits against Wm. Gibson. ...Christian Orndorff, a revolu... ry officer. From Martha G... of Worcester, for a support for ...lf and children. From Wm. ...egys, of Caroline, for the sup... of himself and family. From ...s Andrew of Caroline, that ...person may be appointed to ...ey to him the property pur... ed by him from Henry Turner. ...Mary Blades, of Caroline, for ...rce. From Nehemiah Sauls... of Caroline, for the support of ...wo sisters. From Jacob Hol... of Virginia, a revolutionary ...er. From sundry inhabitants ...aryland, that the practice of ...g in the Potomac with gill nets ...be prohibited. From sundry ...bitants of Washington, relative ...e use of gill nets in Potomac. ...emorial from Philemon Griffith. ...ederick, a revolutionary officer. ...the Washington turnpike com..., to be authorised to commence ...road at any point of the dis... line, which may appear most ...eable. Severally read and re... d.

...he speaker laid before the house ...rts from the Washing on Aca..., in Somerset, and Rockville ...demy, in Montgomery Seve... read.

...rdered: That a standing com... ee of pensions and revolutions ...laims be appointed, to consist of ...members, and that they be nam... by the Speaker.

...Kennedy, C. Dorsey, Hawk... liams and Mosher, to be ...committee.

...Mr. Marriott delivers a ...change the place of holdi... election in the fifth election ... in Anne-Arundel county.

On motion by Mr. Worth... Messrs. Worthington, Harri... Breckenridge were appointed ...mittee, with leave to report ...to alter, change and aboli... parts of the constitution and ...of government as relate to th... tion of the Governor and Co...

On motion by Mr. Forrest... Forrest, Marriott and T. H... sey were appointed a com... with leave to report a bill to ... an act entitled, an act for th... ...ction of poor children in ... Talbot, Cecil, Anne-Arundel, ... Montgomery counties, so far ... same relates to Anne-Arundel ... Montgomery counties.

A message was received fr... senate, stating that they had f... a quorum and were ready to ...ceed to business, and that the... appointed Wm. Spencer, Esq. ...sident, and R. Harwood, Esq. ... Clerk.

On motion by Mr. Kell, M... Lecompte and C. Dorsey, we... pointed a committee with lea... report a bill to declare and e... the powers of the court of Ch... ry and the county courts as ... o equity.

The speaker laid before the ... a report from the Auditor o... state, which was read.

On motion of Mr. Maulsby, ...dered that the committee of C... be instructed to have printe... papers ordered by this house t... printed during the present se...

Friday, Dec. 11.

James Tidball, a delegate ... Allegany, appeared, qualified ... took his seat.

PETITIONS.

From sundry inhabitants of W... ington county, to prevent gre... swine going at large in Sharpsb... From sundry inhabitants of Hag... town, that the Hager's town ... Company may be authorised to ... propriate certain funds. From ... dry inhabitants of Hager's to... tha commissioners may be appo... ed to fix on a scite to build a ... market house. From sundry in... bitants of Boonsborough, for a ... tery. From Mary Louisa Hall, ... Sarah Fauvell, and Emily H. Da... of the city of Baltimore, of div... ces. From Richard Lawrence, ... permission to remove a slave ... this state. From sundry inhabita... of Washington, for a turnpike fr... Boonsborough through Funk's tow... to the market space in Hager's tow... Also for a turnpike from Willia... Port to intersect the Cumberla... turnpike at or near the Stone Qua... Ridge. From Edmund Perkins, ... Kent, for a divorce. From Geo... Cato and Aaron Simmons, revolu... onary soldiers. From John Ku... and Elizabeth Bothick, of St. M... ry's, for a support. From the Tr... tees of the General Assembly of ... Presbyterian Church in the Unit... States, to confirm the devise ma... by the last will of Col. John Post... From Josias Sunderland, of Calve... for further time to complete his c... lections. From Michael C. Sprig... of Allegany, to remove slaves in... this state. From John Smith, a ... John Lomax, revolutionary soldier... From Stephen Lewer, of Wor... ter, for a divorce. Severally re... and referred.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, leav... to bring in a bill to facilitate the r... covery of debts due from the sev... ral banks in this state, and to com... pel the said banks to pay specie f... their notes, or forfeit their cha... ter.

On motion of Mr C. Dorsey, leav... to bring in a bill providing that th... monies heretofore paid into th... treasury of the city of Baltimo... for the exclusive use of the corpo... ration thereof, for licenses grant... to auctioneers, and for duties accru... from sales at auction, shall here... after be paid into the treasury ... the state for the general benefit ... the people thereof, and also prov... ding for the increase of the reven... of this state by imposing a tax o... brokers, and keepers of the lotter... offices therein.

On motion of Mr. C. Dorsey, ... Leave to bring in a bill to repe... all such parts of the laws of th... state as authorise and empower th... courts of law to sentence slaves f... confinement in the penitentiary ... to provide for the punishment o... the same.

On motion of Mr. Jenifer, leav... to bring in a bill for the preservat...

...the several counties ...negotiated.

...Kell delivers a bill to confirm ...entitled, An act to alter and ...of the declaration of rights, ...constitution and form of go... ...ar, as relate to the adminis... ...of oaths in certain cases.

...motion of Mr. Digges, leave ...bring in a bill to repeal the sixth ...ion of an act passed at Decem... session, 1817, entitled, An act ...prevent the unlawful exportation ...negroes and mulattoes, &c.

Saturday, December 12.

...motion of Mr. Eccleston, ...ave to bring in a bill for the va... ...tion of real and personal proper... ...in the several counties therein ...mentioned.

...Messrs Lecompte, Breckenridge, ...Dorsey, T. H. Dorsey, and Jenifer, ...were appointed a committee to re... ...what measures proper to be ...adopted for the recovery or disposal ...of the depreciated bank paper be... ...longing to the state.

...On motion by Mr. H. Tilghman, ...leave given to bring in a further ...additional supplement to the act ...for amending and reducing into ...one the laws and regulations ...concerning last wills and testa... ...ments, &c.

PETITIONS.

From Matthew Murray, late ...sheriff of Baltimore county, to be ...allowed for keeping insolvent debt... From Elizabeth S. Fitzhugh, ...praying she may enjoy all the pri... ...leges of a feme covert over the ...property to which she has the re... ...version. From Charles Sewall, of ...Charles county, a revolutionary ...soldier. From James Cummings, ...of Cecil, to be remunerated for a ...horse pressed from him during the ...revolution. From Daniel Schneb... ...ly, of Washington, for further time ...to complete his collections. Sever... ...ally read and referred.

The clerk of senate delivers a ...communication from the executive, ...inclosing several resolves of the ...last states relative to amendments ...to the constitution, and a commu... ...nication from Neale H. Shaw, rela... ...tive to the variation of the magne... ...tic needle.

...Motion by Mr. W. R. Stewart, ...leave to bring in a further addi... ...tional supplement to the act con... ...cerning crimes and punishments.

On motion of Mr. E. S. Thomas, ...leave to bring in a bill authorising ...the judges of election, in certain ca... ...ses to require an oath from persons ...offering to vote.

Monday, December 14.

George Symmes, a delegate from ...Prince-George's, appeared, qualifi... ...ed and took his seat.

PETITIONS.

From James Due, of Caroline, a ...revolutionary soldier. From the ...commissioners appointed to deepen ...McClure's Dock, to be authorised ...to levy a further sum for that pur... ...pose. From Walter Edelen, of ...Charles, that a certain deed may be ...made valid. From James Galbraith, ...and wife, for a divorce. From John ...Barnes, of Dorchester, an old sol... ...dier. From Abraham Ross, of Dor... ...chester, to be remunerated for a ...deficiency in lot No. 10, of the ...Chaptank Indian lands. From Ro... ...bert Atwell, of Anne-Arundel, for ...support. Severally read & referred.

On motion of Mr. Harrison a ...message was sent to the senate pro... ...posing to go into the election of a ...governor at 12 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. C. Dorsey, the ...following order was read:

As it is not requisite for the in... ...terest of the state that the office of ...Auditor to the state should be con... ...tinued, it is therefore ordered, That ...the said office be and the same is ...hereby discontinued; and that —— ...be a committee to prepare and re... ...port a bill providing for the due ...keeping of the books belonging to, ...or connected with, the said office.

On motion of Mr. Blakistone, a ...message was proposed to the senate, ...to go into the election, on Monday ...next, of directors in the several ...banks on the part of the state.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, That ...the same lie on the table. Resol... ...ved in the affirmative.

A message from the senate agree... ...ing to the proposition of the house ...to go into the election of a gover... ...nor immediately.

On motion of Mr. C. Dorsey, ...leave given to bring in a bill for ...the punishment of those who steal ...tobacco plants or corn growing in ...the field.

A message proposing to go into ...the election of a register of wills ...for Allegany county on Wednesday ...next, on motion of Mr. S Thomas, ...agreed to, and sent to the senate.

The house, sharing in the gaul... ...proceeded to the election ...of governor. The ballots were de... ...posited in the ballot box, and on an ...examination thereof, it appeared ...that Charles Goldsborough esq. had ...49 votes, and Ersby Tilghman esq. ...had 44 votes. Whereupon it was ...declared that Charles Goldsborough ...esq. was elected governor of Mary... ...land.

On motion of Mr. Lecompte, ...Leave given to bring in a bill rela... ...ting to assaults and batteries com... ...mitted upon the persons of slaves.

Executive Communication to the Le... ...gislature.

To the Honourable the President of ...the Senate, and Speaker of the ...House of Delegates.

Gentlemen,

The peaceful and prosperous condition of the State during the last year, leave to the Executive only the duty of communicating the arrangements which have been made, under the resolutions passed at the last session of the honourable the General Assembly.

Under the appropriation for the purpose of repairing the public buildings, and enclosing and improving the public circle, the buildings have been improved and repaired. Some alterations have been made in the fitting up, and furniture of the apartments of the House of Delegates and the Senate, and several new arrangements made to render them more comfortable and convenient. The public circle has been enclosed with a wall of masonry: which is an effectual and lasting enclosure, while it serves the very important purpose of preventing the abrasion and washing away of the hill on which the State House is placed. On these objects the appropriation has been exhausted; the specifications and vouchers for which have been regularly preserved.

Agreeably to the wish of the honourable the General Assembly, a letter was addressed to the Governors of Pennsylvania and Delaware, respecting the grievances under which the citizens of Maryland labour, from the protection and encouragement given to runaway slaves No answer has been received, in consequence it is presumed, of the legislatures of those states not having been in session since the correspondence was commenced. A letter, however, has been received from his Excellency the Governor of Delaware, enclosing a resolve of the General Assembly of that state, in answer to certain resolutions passed by the general assembly of Maryland, at December session, 1816, and relating to the same subject. The letter and resolve are laid before you.

A communication is transmitted from the Rev. Neale H. Shaw, containing an estimate of the expense of putting in execution his plan for ascertaining the variation of the magnetic needle.

The bond given by Francis Dawer and William C Gouldsmith for a certain lot in Baltimore has been released; the Attorney General being of opinion that the state has no claim to the property.

An enquiry has been made into the situation of the several Turnpike Roads leading westwardly thro' the state, and much information collected from the presidents of the several companies. The reports have however been delayed, in order that the latest information might be had, and the actual situation of these works, up to the present time, be laid before you. With respect to the bank road in particular, the delay will enable us to communicate the satisfactory information, that the whole of that road to Cumberland, has been let out in small contracts of one, two or three miles, to actual workmen or contractors, who are all bound to complete their contracts by the month of December 1820. In two years therefore, the work will be completed, and the state of Maryland partially put in possession of those means nature has bestowed, of increasing her trade and intercourse; and thereby fostering her resources, her strength, and her wealth. In the investigation of the subject some considerations which are deemed highly important have presented themselves; and in the execution of that part of the resolution calling for any suggestions that might be likely to promote these desirable improvements, the executive have thought it consistent with its spirit, to offer a view of the subject, with its bearings on the improvement and ...are of the state. These remarks will accompany the final communi...cations of the presidents of the road companies.

Under the act imposing a tax on all banks in the state of Maryland not chartered by the legislature, an application has been made to the treasurer, and complied with, for stamp paper for an office of Pay and Receipt established at Frederick by the Westminster bank. The penalties of the law applying equally to the branch of the bank of the United States, established in Baltimore, a demand was early made on that bank. It was found however, that considerable difficulty would be experienced in proving the particular offences, so as to recover the penalty attached; especially as from the nature of that institution the notes of a branch in any other state, could be and were issued in payment. The bank, however, having early determined to stand a suit, negotiations were entered into, and as it professed a sincere desire to bring the question of constitutional right before the legal tribunals of the country, (to which their right to resort was unquestionable,) and to wave at once all legal delays, and carry it to the highest appellate jurisdiction, the Supreme Court of the U. States, an amicable arrangement was entered into.

A suit being brought in Baltimore county court, judgment was entered for the state; and an appeal taken to the court of appeals for the western shore which met in June last, upon a case stated, so as to rest the question upon the constitutionality of the act. A decision in favour of the state was there had by consent, and the appeal carried up to the supreme court of the United States. In the mean time the president of the bank has lodged in the council chamber a memorandum, by which, in the event of the suit's being determined in favour of the state, the penalty is not to be exacted, but the bank is bound to pay into the state treasury the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, specified in the act, for the year commencing on the first day of May last, the day on which the act went into operation; and the same sum annually, as long as the act continues, or the bank chooses that alternative. In the event of the suit's being determined against the state, no costs are to be exacted, and no further steps taken, under the said act, against the bank.

The assumption by the U States, of the payment of money advanced by the state of Maryland for the payment of troops and other expenses brought on the state by the late war, was communicated to the legislature previous to their adjournment last winter. The agent of the state then at the city of Washington was informed that it was impracticable to enter on an examination of the vouchers and proceed to the settlement of the claim, during the continuance of the session of Congress. He therefore urged the appointment of a time when this cause of delay should not exist. Finding in July, the officers of the War Department still so much engaged, that it was, as they alledged, wholly impracticable to take up the Maryland claim, the agent repeated a proposal which he had made very early to the Secretary of the War Department, to make an advance to the state on account of the claim which had been assumed. To this the secretary assented in August; but on examination of the appropriation to pay the states such balances as might be found due to them, he limited the amount to 40,000 dollars. This sum has accordingly been received and deposited in the state treasury.

We should have had great satisfaction in stating the final settlement of this account; but the engagements in the war office are stated still to continue, and the claims of other states which are first in the order of assumption, not yet finally adjusted. The justice, however, of the general government will no doubt make provision for the speedy settlement of the debt: and the same zeal, attention, and ability on the part of the agent, which has hitherto explained and enforced the justice of the claim, will no doubt continue to present its merits in such a favorable view, that no unnecessary or unavoidable delays will procrastinate its final adjustment.

The right to subscribe for a certain number of shares reserved to the state in the Marine Bank of Baltimore, has been purchased out by the bank at an advance of ten per centum. The same right to subscribe for a certain number of shares in the Union Bank of Maryland was sold by the treasurer to Thos. Fairfax, esq. of Virginia, who paid the advance into the state treasury. Upon application, however, of Mr. Fairfax to the bank, to permit him to subscribe for the shares, the bank refused, alledging, that although the state had a right to subscribe for, and then dispose of the shares, yet it had no right to dispose of the mere right to subscribe. The case has been submitted to the attorney general, with directions to institute such legal process as may compel the bank to do speedy justice. In the meantime copies of the correspondence between the treasurer and the officers of the bank are transmitted, in order that the case of Mr. Fairfax who still remains deprived of the valuable consideration for which he has paid to the state the advance of ten per cent, may be fully taken into view, and such measures adopted for his relief as may seem best to the wisdom of the honorable the general assembly.

The finances of the state not being under the control of this department, a statement of their situation will be laid before you by the treasurer. Of the sum which he was authorised to borrow under the advice of the executive, only twenty thousand dollars have been wanted.

Sundry communications are transmitted from the Governors of different sister states, proposing alterations, and in answer to proposed alterations of the constitution of the United States; also three copies each of the laws of New Hampshire and New York. Three setts of Waite's edition of state papers have been also received from the department of state under a resolution of Congress, one for the use of the executive, and one for each branch of the legislature.

Since the last session of the honourable the general assembly, the office of register of wills for Harford county became vacant by the death of Mr. Richardson. The executive appointed Thomas S Bond, Esq. to fill the vacancy. The office of register of wills for Allegany county also became vacant by the resignation of George Bruce, Esq. in whose place the executive appointed Charles Hick.

The eligibility of the governor under the constitution having expired, it would be ungracious not to express the deep satisfaction felt in retiring at a time when the prosperity of the state appears fixed, when her finances have been relieved from the pressure brought on by war and invasion; when the injuries inflicted on her defenceless shores have been repaired; when the demand for the productions of her soil is giving vigour to her agriculture; when a turn for improvement, evidently spreading in the state, bids fair to increase the comforts and happiness of her citizens; when animosities are healing, excitement of feeling wearing away, and honest difference of opinion fairly admitted; and when above all, the spirit of religion and piety, manifestly exciting and increasing its influence in all classes, is preparing to establish the general welfare on that foundation of righteousness which alone "exalteth a people."

We have the honour to be,
Very respectfully,
Your most obedient
Humble servants,
C. RIDGELY, of Hampton.

Punctuality is the life of Business.

From an essay under the above title in a Southern print, we make the following extract for our own benefit.

Perhaps it may not be amiss to remember the printer in my discourse.—He trusts every body, he knows not whom, his money is scattered every where, he hardly knows where to look for it. His paper, his ink, his presses and his types, his labour and his living all must punctually be paid for. You, Mr ——, and Mr. ——, and Mr. —— and Mr. ——, and a hundred others that I could name, have taken ——'s paper a great while. You and your wives, and your children and your neighbours have been amused and informed, and I hope improved, by it. If you miss one paper, you think very hard of the printer or post for it; for you had rather go without your supper than paper Have you ever complied with the condition of subscription? Have you taken as much pains to furnish the printer with money as he has to furnish you with papers? Have you contributed your mite to repay him for his ink, his paper, his types his presses, his head-work? If you have not, go pay him off, "and sin no more."

N. B. Times.

Cape Bourne, of the brig Hippomenes, who arrived at N. York on Sunday last, from Curracoa, reports that Lord Cochran had arrived at the Testigos, with one ship of 64 guns, one of 32, 2 of 20 each, and a tender of 10 guns He also reports that Sir Gregor M'Gregor had sailed with 3,000 men to join Gen. Bolivar.

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EDUCATION.

The subscriber having been liberally encouraged by the late Mr. Thomas Sellman, is induced to continue his school the ensuing year, at Portland Manor. The course of instruction will include Orthography, Reading, Arithmetic, &c English Grammar, Geography, with the use of the Maps & Globes, the Mathematics, comprising Geometry plain and spherical Trigonometry, Surveying and Navigation, Ancient & Modern History, with other incidental studies. Board can be obtained at Mr. Wm. Weems's, or at Mrs Compton's, by whom every attention may be expected that can tend to facilitate the students literary acquirements.

School will open on Monday 31st January, 1819, & close the 20th December following The price of tuition will be $20 per annum. Board $100. Letters addressed to the subscriber, near Tracy's Landing, Anne-Arundel county, Md. will receive the proper attention.

JOHN F. WILSON

Dec 17, 1818 tf.

We, the subscribers are personally acquainted with John F. Wilson, and certify, that his conduct, as far as has come to our knowledge, both as a Gentleman and a Teacher, has been uniformly correct. We have been present at the examination of his pupils and can say with pleasure, that their performance equalled our most sanguine expectations.

W. Weems, of John,
John Iglehart,
Thomas Tongue, Jr.
Wm. H. Hall,
Benjamin Harrison,
Rinaldo Pindell,
Gassaway Pindell.

Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice,

Mr. E K WILSON,
HARRISON,
WORTHINGTON,
H FILGHMAN,
GAITHER

The Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice will meet every day during the session from 11 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock, P M.

By order,
JNO W. PRESTON, Clk.
Dec 17

Committee of Claims,

Messrs HAWKINS,
MAULSBY,
ESTEP,
E S THOMAS,
T N WILLIAMS,
C DORSEY,
LONG.

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By order,
U WAGERS, Clk.
Dec. 17.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of Jas. Williams, Esq. late of the city of Annapolis are requested to make payment. All claims against said estate, properly authenticated, will be satisfied upon being presented

JAS WILLIAMS, } Exrs.
LEWIS NETH, jr. }

Dec. 17, 1818.