

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Robert Kerr, James Hogstin and William Alexander, of Harford county, was read the second time and passed.

The house proceeded to the election of a senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States; and the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired and after sometime returned and reported that Alexander C. Hanson was elected. Whereupon, Resolved, That Alexander C. Hanson, esquire, be and he is hereby declared to be, the senator to represent this state in the senate of the United States.

The bill, entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Augustus Graham and Martha Graham, of Frederick county, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Carroll delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Josiah W. Heath; which was read the first and second time by special order and passed.

Mr. Stoddert from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of Sarah Easton and Dorothy Storer, the legal representatives of Robert H. Harrison, aid de-camp and secretary of general Washington, commander in chief of the revolutionary army, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are well assured from the documents attending it, that the services rendered this country by Robert H. Harrison, father of the memorialists, in every respect entitle them to the kind interposition of the legislature of his native state. When your committee pursue in imagination the interesting little history of this distinguished and meritorious character, in his military and civil life, to be gathered from the documents which accompany the memorial of his representatives, they are filled with gratitude and admiration at the bravery, moral worth, and patriotic zeal and devotion which constitutes its characteristic features. Deeply impressed with an idea of the importance of his exertions in the cause of national liberty and of national glory, and equally well assured of the great personal sacrifices which attended the exertions, in which may be included the relinquishment of a lucrative profession, the waste of health, the reduction of his patrimonial inheritance in supporting himself as became the dignity and character of an American officer, at a period when his country was unable to fulfil her pecuniary engagements with her soldiers for their services, and consequent loss of this property by a reimbursement in depreciated certificates; from these considerations your committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and directed, to pay unto Sarah Easton and Dorothy Storer, the legal representatives of Robert H. Harrison, or their order, respectively, a sum equal to three years full pay as aid-de-camp to the commander in chief, as a compensation for the services of the said Robert H. Harrison, during the revolutionary war.

By order,

G. MURDOCH, Clk.

Which was read.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, December 19, 1816.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Robert Kerr, James Hogstin and William Alexander, of Harford county; the bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Josiah W. Heath; the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Eleanor Montgomery; and the resolutions in favour of Thomas Thompson and Nathan Griffin, revolutionary soldiers, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Bradford delivers a petition from Alexander Rigdon, of Harford county, praying that a law may pass authorising him to set up gates in a public lane which passes through his farm; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bradford, H. Hall and Glenn.

Mr. Schnebly delivers a petition from Eliza Schaffer, of Washington county, praying for the sale of a lot of ground in Hagers Town, Washington county, whereof her husband Solomon Schaffer died seized; which was read and referred to Messrs. Schnebly, Bowles and Hager.

The bill, entitled, An act to repeal all that part of the constitution and form of government as relates to the division of Allegany county into six separate election districts, was read the second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise the drawing of a lottery in Allegany county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Bowles delivers a petition from Mary Thompson, of Washington county, praying for a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bowles, Potts and Hager.

Mr. Turner delivers a petition from Priscilla Wilson, of Calvert county, praying relief relative to certain lands and negroes which descended to her by the death of Sarah B. Parker, and making valid her receipt for certain property which descended to her husband James M. Wilson by the death of Ann Brooke; which was read and referred to Messrs. Turner, Horrell and Chew.

Mr. Bradford from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Abraham Hooper, of Harford county, an old revolutionary soldier, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner ought to be granted, they therefore recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and directed, to pay to Abraham Hooper, of Harford county, an old revolutionary soldier, or to his order, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, a sum annually, in quarterly payments, equal to the half pay of a private soldier, as a remuneration for those services rendered his country during her struggle for independence.

By order,

G. MURDOCK, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Hager delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying that a law may pass incorporating a company to turnpike a road from Hager's Town to Conococheague, and to build a permanent bridge over the said Conococheague; which was read and referred to Messrs. Hager, Bowles and Schnebly.