

On motion by Mr. Semmes, the following resolution was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table:

Resolved, That all proceedings against Notley Maddox, and his securities, on a judgment obtained against them on account of a balance due to the state by the said Notley Maddox, as former sheriff of Prince-George's, be and they are hereby suspended until the first day of January eighteen hundred and nineteen, and also that the said Notley Maddox, and his securities, be and they are hereby released from the payment of the nine per cent per annum of the fifteen per cent interest chargeable upon the principal of the balance due the state, on condition only that the said Notley Maddox, and his securities, shall punctually pay to the treasurer of the western shore, on or upon the first day of January eighteen hundred and nineteen, the principal of the balance due the state, with interest for the same at the rate of six per cent per annum, together with all costs on said judgments; Provided, that the judgments shall be in full force and continue, notwithstanding the suspension directed by this resolution, and that if the said Notley Maddox, and his securities, shall fail in said payment, they shall forfeit the benefit of this resolution, and shall be liable to be proceeded against immediately for the whole of the said debt and costs, and the fifteen per cent interest now payable thereon.

On motion by Mr. Kell, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act supplementary to the act relating to the equity jurisdiction of the county courts. Ordered, That Messrs. Kell, Wilson and Johnson, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

On motion by Mr. Estep, the following resolution was read and ordered to lie on the table:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Ignatius Brashears, of Prince-George's county, an old soldier, annually, in quarterly payments, during life, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, as a further compensation for his services during the revolutionary war.

The report on the petition of John Smith, a revolutionary soldier, was read the second time, concurred with, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

Mr. Gaither from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Ray, an old soldier, of Montgomery county, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under consideration, that they find the facts therein stated to be true, and submit the following resolution

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay unto Joseph Ray, an old soldier, of Montgomery county, or to his order, annually, in quarterly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private, for his services during the revolutionary war.

All which is submitted,

By order,

R. PINDELL, Ck.

Which was read.

The bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of geese and swine in the towns of Upper Marlborough and Nottingham in Prince George's county, so far as it relates to the town of Upper Marlborough, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Tomlinson delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Frederick Bowers of Allegany county, which was read.

Mr. Bradford delivers a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for repairing or rebuilding the Deer Creek Church at the cross roads in Harford county; which was read.

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

THURSDAY, January 1, 1818.

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

The bill relating to the town of Belle-Air in Harford county; the bill for the relief of Elizabeth Sterrett of Washington county; the supplement to the act, entitled, An act to incorporate the Union Company of Snow Hill; the bill to repeal an act, entitled, An act to prevent the going at large of geese and swine in the towns of Upper-Marlborough and Nottingham, in Prince-George's county, so far as it relates to the town of Upper-Marlborough; the bill declaring what shall be evidence in certain cases therein mentioned; the bill supplementary to an act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, and the rights of orphans and other representatives of deceased persons; and the resolution in favour of John Smith, a revolutionary soldier, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Linthicum from the committee delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Robbins, an old soldier, beg leave to report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and find the facts therein stated to be true, and submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay to John Robbins, an old soldier, of Montgomery county, a sum of money annually, in quarterly payments, equal to the half pay of a private, as a further compensation for his revolutionary services.

All which is submitted.

By order,

R. PINDELL, Ck.

Which was read.

Mr. Digges delivers a petition from the trustees of the Bladensburg Academy, praying for a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of erecting a suitable house for said academy; which was read and referred to Messrs. Digges, Semmes and Somerville. Also a petition from Thomas Duvall, of Prince-George's county, praying relief relative to a certain negro named James, who was convicted and sentenced to servitude in the penitentiary; which was read and referred to Messrs. Digges, Claggett and Semmes.

On motion by Mr. Sweitzer, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for amending and reducing into system the laws and regulations concerning last wills and testaments, the duties of executors, administrators and guardians, and the rights of orphans and other representatives of deceased persons. Ordered, That Messrs. Sweitzer, Schnebly and Yates, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Estep delivers a petition from Elizabeth Ann Cross, Mary Ann Cross, and Rebecca Cross, praying for a law directing the sale of the equitable estate of their father in a tract of land called Selby's Lot; which was read and referred to Messrs. Estep, R. Dorsey and C. Stewart.

Mr. Woodyear delivers a petition from Amos A. Williams and George Williams, of the city of Baltimore, praying that a warehouse about to be erected by them on O'Donnell's wharf, for the inspection of