

to a more distant period, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, unless the chairman, who reported the same, shall be absent from the house.

And the question put, That the house assent to the same? Determined in the negative.

The bill for the relief of Samuel Lee, of Harford county, was read the second time by special order, passed, and returned to the senate.

Mr. Dalrymple reports a bill, entitled, An act to confirm the proceedings of William C. Dawkins, late a justice of the peace for Calvert county; which was twice read by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Tyson reports a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the better regulation of the militia of the city of Baltimore.

Mr. Potter from the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, delivers the following report:

The committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, to whom was referred the petition of John Penn, of Charles county, report, that they have had the same under their consideration, and are of opinion, that the petitioner is not entitled to any other pay than that which is now allowed to him, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

Wm. H. Emory, Clk.

Which was concurred with.

Also the following:

The committee on pensions and revolutionary claims, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Bryan, of the county of Lycoming, in the state of Pennsylvania, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Charles Bryan, of the county of Lycoming in the state of Pennsylvania, or to his order, during life, in quarterly annual payments, the half pay of a private, as a further remuneration for his services during the revolutionary war.

By order,

Wm. H. Emory, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Speed presents a petition from Mary A. Davis, of the city of Annapolis, for support; referred to the committee on similar petitions.

On motion, by Mr. M'Culloh, the following order was read, and assented to:

Ordered, That the committee of ways and means be, and are hereby instructed, to enquire into the expediency of laying a tax upon judicial proceedings.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Saturday, January 21, 1826.

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

George Brown, esq. a delegate elect for Somerset county, appeared, qualified, and took his seat.