

Commission of Letters of Marque and Repisal issued to Edward Parkinson Commander of the Schooner Sackelone hundred and twenty Tons burthen, navigated by thirty men, mounting ten Carrage Guns, belonging to Stephen Steward & son and Thomas Yates of Baltimore -

Permission given to Samuel Button to pass through this State on his way to Accomack County in the State of Virginia for the purpose of visiting his Friends, he conducting himself in every respect conformably to his Parole of the 2^d Instant except as to the restriction confining him to the City of Annapolis. -

Monday 6th January 1783.

Present His Excellency and all Members. -

The Board took into Consideration, the Subject of appointing a Naval Officer to supply the Vacancy occasioned by the Death of Mr. Sellers, for the Fourth District.

On Motion, the Following Questions were put

Is a Member of the General Assembly, on the resignation of his Seat, and relinquishment of the Profits and Emoluments of Office for the Time for which he was chosen a Member of the Assembly - capable of holding or executing such Office of Profit?

Unanimously determined in the Negative

Is an Officer of the Army eligible as Naval Officer previous to a resignation of his Commission. -

Affirmative

John H. Stone, Jr. J. Chase

G. Duwall, B. Stoddert.

The Governor. -

Negative

James Brice

so it was determined in the Affirmative. -

Is an Officer of the Army capable of holding & executing the Office of Naval Officer previous to a resignation of his Commission?

Unanimously determined in the Negative.

Is an Officer on half pay, holding his Commission, and liable to be called into service, capable of holding and executing the Office of Naval Officer, during his half pay and retirement from service.

Unannously determined in the Negative. -

Is an Officer on half pay, not subject as such, to be called into service, capable of holding and executing the Office of Naval Officer during his half pay.

Unanimously determined in the Affirmative. -

The Board then proceeded to the Appointment of a Naval Officer for the said District, and General Otto Holland Williams was elected. - and Commission issued. -

(Tuesday)