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BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 16, 1788.

Whereas it appears to this general assembly, that Jacob Strap enlisted and served faithfully three years in the first Maryland regiment, and that after his discharge from the army he was captured at fea by the enemy during the late war, and carried to Portsmouth in Great-Britain, and there imprisoned until the restoration of peace; that the said Jacob Strap, being destitute of money, could not return to this state until the month of December, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, when the time for granting certificates to soldiers for the depreciation of their pay had elapsed, and he was thereby prevented from obtaining a certificate from the auditor-general for the balance due to him: And whereas it appears just and reasonable that the said Jacob Strap should receive a certificate for the depreciation of the pay due to him whilst in the service; Resolved, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby empowered and authorifed to settle and adjust the account of the said Jacob Straps and grant him a certificate for the balance due to him. Leaker in Constitution of the By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. Mr. Bond, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of certain purchasers of confiscated property, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, Decem-" ber 16, 1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table,

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Mr. Dent, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of William Paddison and Sarah his wife, endorsed; "By the house of delegates, December 16, "1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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And also the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 16, 1788.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be empowered to issue to Thomas Yates a certificate for the depreciation of his pay, in the same manner as if application had been made by the said Yates within the time limited by law; and the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county are hereby authorised to make the like provision for the said Yates, as is directed by law to be made to invalid soldiers. By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

Which were read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Murray, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Mary Cox, of Baltimore-town, endorfed; "By the house of delegates, December 16, "1788: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

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The bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Queen-Anne's county, was read the fe-, cond time by especial order, passed with the proposed amendment, and, with the bill, entitled, An act for the relief of the poor of Caroline county, and the bill, entitled, An act for altering the time of holding the courts in Anne-Arundel county, sent to the house of delegates by Peregrine Tilghman, Esquire.

Amendment proposed. Strike out from the word "every" in the 12th line of the 13th page, to the last word "shall" in the 13th line of the same page, and insert the words "persons who shall be received into the faid alms or work-house and there receive relief."

Mr. Norris, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 17: 1788. Whereas a certain Thomas Bond Onion, of Baltimore county, hath become liable for a debt due the state from Stephen Onion, by superseding an execution issued against the said Stephen Onion, which debt might have been discharged in final settlement certificates, upon the terms specified in a resolution of April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven: And whereas final settlements have been lodged in the treasury to the full amount of the debt up to May, 1788; therefore RESOLVED, That the treasurer be directed to receive from the said Thomas Bond Onion the final settlement certificates as aforesaid lodged in his hands, in full discharge of the debt due the state from Stephen Onion, calculating interest on the said debt up to the tenth day of May, 1788, the said Thomas Bond Onion paying all costs of suit which have accrued on the suit and execution issued against Stephen Onion.

By order, Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Waggaman, from the house of delegates, delivers to the president a bill, entitled, An act to repeal part of an act, entitled, An act to open the courts of justice, and for other purposes, and to