during the late revolutionary war, was lieutenant-colonel of the first regiment raised by this state, from which fervice he was compelled to retire by the infirmities peculiarly incident to a military life in these climates,) has, by reason of his said infirm health, and missortunes arising from those acts of benevolence which the duties of fociety often render indispensable, and not by imprudence or want of due economy, become reduced to extreme indigence in his advanced age; and it being unworthy, (both in example and principle,) of the citizens of a free republic, to desert, in their distress, those of their fellow-citizens who have rendered important services in distinguilhed stations, whilst high honours and great rewards attend public services in other forms of government; RESOLVED unanimously, That there be granted to the said Francis Ware half pay as lieutenant-colonel, (rated according to the establishment when he retired from service,) from the date of this resolution, and during the remainder of his life; and that the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay the same to the said Francis Ware in quarterly payments.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 10, 1800. Whereas it appears to this general affembly, that Randolph Brandt Latimer, agent to the state, did, on the fifteenth day of December, seventeen hundred and ninety-five, sell to Robert Courtenay a tract of land called Part of Carroll's Scrutiny, lying in Baltimore county, containing five hundred and feventy-fix acres, for the fum of two thousand six hundred and forty-six pounds: And whereas by a correct survey made by the surveyor of Baltimore county, it appears there was a deficiency of twelve acres, the loss of which, and correcting the variation, by allowing one degree for twenty years, has entirely deprived the faid Courtenay of the benefit of two filteries and landings on navigable water: And whereas it appears that the survey made by the commisfioners of confiscated property, by which the land was fold, did include the faid fisheries and landings, and that the faid Courtenay purchased under an expectation of having the benefit of the same; therefore, RESOLVED, That the chancellor be and he is hereby authorifed and required to inquire into the facts fet forth in the petition of the said Robert Courtenay, and if the said facts are established to his satisfaction, that he direct, in such manner as he may fee right and proper, the damages to be ascertained which the said Robert Courtenay hath fultained, and that on the faid damages being fo afcertained, and presented to the treasurer of the western shore, he pay the amount thereof to the faid Robert Courtenay.

By order,

W. HARWOOD, clk.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, DECEMBER 9, 1800. RESOLVED, That the governor and council cause the laws compiled by William Kilty, to be distributed and forwarded as follows: To the chancery court one copy, to the chancellor one copy, to the court of appeals one copy, to each judge thereof one copy, to the general courts each one copy, to each judge thereof one copy, to the judge of the criminal court of Baltimore one copy, to the governor and council, and each member thereof, one copy, to the senate two copies, to the house of delegates two copies, to each county court one copy, to each judge thereof one copy, to each orphans court one copy, to the land-office western shore one copy, to the land-office eastern shore one copy, to the treasury of western shore one copy, to the treasury of eastern shore one copy, to the executive of each state one copy, to the house of representatives of the United States one copy, to the senate of the United States one copy, to the secretary of state one copy, to the editor one copy, to each member of the general affembly one copy, to Saint-John's college one copy, to Washington college one copy, to each of the incorporated schools one copy, to the mayor's court in the city of Annapolis one copy, to the mayor's court in George-town one copy, to the mayor and city council of Baltimore one copy, to the library company of Baltimore one copy, to the attorney-general one copy, to the clerk of the fenate one copy; to affistant clerk of senate one copy, to the clerk of the house of delegates one copy, to affistant clerk of the house of delegates one copy.

By order, W, HARWOOD, clk. Which were severally read the first time and ordered to lie on the table. And returns the resolution in favour of George Gale, of Cæcil county, endorsed; "By the house of dele-

" gates, December 1, 1800: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

W. HARWOOD, clk.

" By order, "By the house of delegates, December 10, 1800: Read the second time and assented to.

"By order, W. HARWOOD, clk."

The following message was prepared, read and agreed to.

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 11, 1800.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have, during the present session, imposed a very arduous and disagreeable duty upon the chancellor, in relation to insolvent applicants. We are impressed with an opinion, that for those services, distinct from the general duties of his office, compensation ought to be made. Not possessing constitutional power to originate any law appropriating money in the treasury, we beg leave to call your attention to this subject, and hope there will be an union of fentiment upon it.

By order,

W. S. GREEN, clk.