

On motion by Mr. Randall the question was put, That the house dispense with the 16th rule thereof? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Frsby delivers a bill entitled, An act for the appointment by the people, of the justices of the levy courts in the several counties of this state, which was read. *Ordered*, That the same have a second reading on the 6th of December next.

On motion by Mr. Handy, leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act to regulate the inspection of lumber. *Ordered*, That Messrs. Handy, Jackson and Spencer be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

The bill for the benefit of Elizabeth McLeain was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

Mr. Downey delivers a bill entitled, An additional supplement to an act entitled, An act to establish a market in Elizabeth Town, in Washington county, and for the better regulation of the same; which was read.

Mr. Marriott delivers a petition from Charles and Edward Stewart and others, of Anne Arundel county, counter to the petition for a road through their land; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

Mr. Lewis Duvall delivers a bill entitled, An act for the benefit of Thomas Willmore and Henrietta his wife, of Anne Arundel county. And Mr. Pechin delivers a bill entitled, An act for the relief of Abraham Fuller, an insolvent debtor of the city of Baltimore; which were read.

Mr. Thomas Williams delivers the following report:

THE Committee to whom was referred the petition of James Maxwell, of Cæcil county, late a brave and worthy soldier in the revolutionary war, report, That they have had the same under consideration; and find, from ample testimony, that he enlisted as a soldier in the sixth Maryland regiment, in June seventeen hundred and seventy eight, and was appointed a corporal on the first of August seventeen hundred and seventy-nine; and continued in the service until the end of the war. That he now labors under a very severe disease, the effects of a wound in his leg, received at storming the British garrison of "Ninety-Six," in South Carolina; from which he is rendered unable in his advanced age, (being nearly sixty years old) to procure a support for himself and family; your committee, under the impression that it becomes the peculiar duty of a dignified state to provide for the unfortunate and meritorious soldier, who spent the prime and vigor of his life in fighting the battles and procuring the rights of his country, recommend the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby directed and required to pay to James Maxwell, of Cæcil county, late a meritorious soldier in the revolutionary war, or to his order, in quarterly payments, a sum equal to the half pay of a corporal; as a provision to him in his indigent situation, now ad-