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church and school-house, and purchase a fire-engine; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bowles, Downey and T. B. Hall.

Mr. Donaldson delivers a petition from Rachel L. Hollingsworth, of the city of Baltimore, counter to the petition for the extension of Pratt-street; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

Mr. Callis delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Prince George's county, praying that part of the road leading from the eastern branch bridge in the district of Columbia towards Robert Dodson's tavern, in Prince George's county, may be widened, and a new road laid out therefrom to a place called Soper's old fields; which was read and referred to Messrs. Callis, Somervell and Herbert.

The bill for the benefit of John Reardon, of Harford county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

The report in favor of Joseph Dawson was read the second time and the resolution therein contained dissented from.

Mr. Donaldson delivers a memorial from John Worthington and others counter to the petition of John M'Fadon; which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. C. Dorsey delivers the following report:

THE Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Mitchell of Charles county, late a captain in the revolutionary war, report, That they have attentively considered the subject matter of the said petitioner, and when they reflect upon the services rendered by that valuable officer in his country's cause, as set forth in his petition, of which they have the utmost assurance, they feel a gratitude for him which they are thus bound to express; and when they are also satisfied that he is now borne down by infirmities, most probably consequent on the hardships of his military life; that he was compelled to apply his patrimonial inheritance towards supporting himself as became the dignity and character of an American officer, when his country was unable to fulfil her engagements in rewarding her soldiery for their services, and also that he was compelled to dispose of the certificates in which he was paid at the end of the war, at a price which gave them nothing more than a nominal value, they are of opinion that to grant him the relief to which they consider him most justly entitled, this legislature should place him on the half pay establishment:—

Resolved, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby directed to pay unto John Mitchell, late a captain in the Maryland line during the revolutionary army, or to his order, a sum of money annually, in quarterly payments, equal to the half pay of a captain, as a further remuneration for those services rendered his country during the American war.

By order,

BEN. RICHARDSON, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Donaldson, the following order was read: *Ordered,* That the bill entitled, An act annulling the marriage of Henry Moore and Alice Pearce, be made the order of the day on Wednesday