

ring life, a sum of money equal to the half-pay of a private, as a further remuneration for his faithful services during our revolutionary war.

By order,

HENRY D. SCOTT, Clk.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Perry the following message was read, agreed to, and sent to the senate,

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 16, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We return you the resolution authorising Benjamin Harwood, trustee of the State, to transfer the amount of thirty thousand dollars of the six per cent stock of the United States, to the president and directors of the Potomac company, &c. viewing as we do, the object of the resolution, as a matter of primary importance to this State, and the United States, we hope upon reconsideration you will assent to the same.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

The amendment proposed by the senate to the bill entitled, A further additional supplement to the act entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, was read the second time, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Dorsey the following message was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 16, 1812.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

The House of Delegates impressed with a belief that the present system of equity jurisprudence is radically defective and entirely repugnant to the convenience and wants of their constituents, are impelled to ask from you a conference to ascertain if the people of Maryland cannot be gratified in a system so loudly demanded by the uniform and continued expression of the wish of the popular branch, and by the numerous petitions which have been exhibited to the General Assembly of Maryland at their present session.

This house has appointed Messrs. Dorsey, Potter and Sanders, on the part of this house to unite with any gentlemen appointed by the senate, as a committee of conference on the bill which originated in this house, vesting in the county courts of this State, an unlimited chancery jurisdiction, and which was negatived by you.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

The bill entitled, An act for the relief of Samuel Kerr of Kent county, was read the second time, passed and sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of William Ferguson, of Prince George's county, was read the second time, concurred in and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate.

The report on the petition of James Nowell, and Jonathan Tutwiller of Washington county, was read the second time concurred in, and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Banning delivers a bill entitled, An act to ratify the title of Henry Banning and Anthony Banning, in and to certain lots of land in the town of Oxford; which was read.

The bill entitled, An act to lay out and open a road in Baltimore county, was read the second time and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Riggs delivers a petition from William Layman, of Montgomery county, a revolutionary officer, praying relief; which was read and referred to Messrs. Riggs, Somervell and Crabb.

Mr. L. Duvall delivers a bill entitled, An act for the relief and benefit of Sarah Stinchcomb; which was read.

Mr. Randall from the committee delivers the following report:

THE Committee to whom was referred the petition of Ebenezer Finley, of Baltimore city, have taken the same into consideration, and report, that they are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioner is unreasonable and ought not to be granted, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

By order,

HENRY D. SCOTT, Clk.

Which was read the first and second time by special order, and concurred in.

Mr. Callis, delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Prince George's county, praying that a new election district may be laid off in said county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Callis, Somervell, and F. M. Hall.

Mr. Crabb from the committee delivers the following report:

THE Committee to whom was referred the petition of Jane White of the city of Baltimore, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and find the facts therein stated to be true; they therefore submit the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the levy court of Baltimore county be, and they are hereby authorised and directed, to appoint three discreet and respectable persons to ascertain and value the amount of damages sustained by the petitioner, by the destruction of her house in Charles street by the mob, on the twenty-seventh and twenty eight of July last, and the amount of damages so ascertained to be levied on the assessable property of Baltimore city, and paid to the said Jane White or her order.

By order,

HENRY D. SCOTT, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Boyer from the committee delivers the following report:

THE Committee to whom was referred the petition of John Bolton, an old revolutionary soldier, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into their consideration, and are of opinion that his prayer is reasonable, and that some compensation ought to be granted; they therefore submit the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the treasurer of the Eastern shore be, and he is hereby directed, to pay annually unto John Bolton, or his order, in quarterly payments, a sum equal to the half-pay of a private, in the late revolutionary war.

By order,

BEN. GRAY, Clk.

Which was read.