

order. *Ordered*, that the bill entitled, an act to alter all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the appointment of governor and for other purposes, together with the proposed amendments thereto, be referred to the next general assembly, and be published with the votes and proceedings for the consideration of the people? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Plater, Causin, Blackiston, Jervis Spencer, Brown, Reynolds, Turner, Stonestreet, Ford, Rogerson, Bayly, Cottman, Long, Griffith, Lecompte, John R. Evans, Lusby, Hogg, Robert Evans, F. M. Hall, Somervell, Quinton, Handy, John Thomas, Delaplane, John H. Thomas, Potter, Jones, Kilgour, Crabb, Hilleary, Robinett, M'Culloh, Howard—34.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Sellman, Belt, Randall, Stansbury, Bennett, Martin, S. Stevens, Duvall, Wright, Forwood, (of Wm.) Forwood, (of Jb.) Dallam, Maulsby, Saulsbury, Culbreth, Willis, Barney, Kershner, Gabby—19.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Hilleary delivers a bill entitled, an act relating to dogs in Allegany county ; which was read.

Mr. Lecompte from the committee delivers the following report :

The committee appointed to inquire into the nature and extent of the duties performed by the accountants of militia claims, and into the sufficiency of the present salary of those officers, beg leave to report, that they have examined the papers and documents in the office of the accountant of the Western Shore, and find from inspection of them that the duties performed are of the utmost difficulty and importance, and require the most laborious attention in their execution. In consequence of the various and extensive duties, it is stated by the accountant that he has been employed, during the principal part of his time, from six to eight and ten hours in the day, and would not have been able without frequent assistance to have transacted the business ; one part of which that of recording the claims, has been necessarily omitted, but will be attended to as soon as possible. This statement of the duties and labors of the office is confirmed by the executive with an assurance that the business has been satisfactorily performed, and an expression of their opinion that the present salary is very insufficient. The committee therefore are of opinion, and report that the present salary of the accountants of militia claims is inadequate to the labor and importance of the services performed. They therefore submit to the house the following resolution :

Resolved, That the treasurer of the Western Shore pay to each militia accountant or order, dollars per annum, payable from the date of their appointment, in addition to their present allowance.

By order,

WM. K. LAMBDIN, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Dorsey from the committee delivers the following report :

The committee to whom were referred the petitions of Sinclair Lancaster, Charles Sewall, junr. Peter Gebhart, Nicholas Johnson, Solomon Frazier and Moses M'Kinsey, praying for remuneration for revolutionary services by them rendered, and the petition of Sarah Easton, and Dorothy Storer, praying for remuneration for the revolutionary services of Robert Hanson Harrison, deceased, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same under their consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the said petitioners ought not to be granted.

By order,

WM. K. LAMBDIN, Clk.

Which was read.

The house resumed the consideration of the report and the preamble and resolutions relating to the qualifications and elections of delegates, and the question was put, that the house concur in the report as amended? The yeas and nays being required appeared as follow :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Plater, Millard, Causin, Blackiston, Boyer, J's Speneer, Hands, Brown, Reynolds, Turner, Stonestreet, Ford, Rogerson, Bayly, Cottman, Long, Griffith, Tootel, Lecompte, John R. Evans, Lusby, Hogg, Robert Evans, F. M. Hall, Somervell, Quinton, Handy, John Thomas, Delaplane, John H. Thomas, Potter, Jones, Kilgour, Crabb, Hilleary, Robinett, M'Culloh, Howard.—38.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Sellman, Belt, Randall, Warner, Stansbury, Martin, S. Stevens, Duvall, Wright, Forwood (of Wm.) Forwood (of Jacob.) Dallam, Maulsby, Saulsbury, Culbreth, Willis, Barney, Kershner, Gabby—19.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. J. H. Thomas, *Ordered*, that the bill entitled, an act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the appointment of an executive council, be referred to the consideration of the next general assembly, and be published for the consideration of the people.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 27, 1814.

The house met.—Present the same members as on yesterday.—The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill entitled, an act to make public an old road in Frederick county, was sent to the senate. Mr. Maulsby delivers a petition from James Wood, of the town of Havre de-Grace, praying compensation for certain provisions destroyed by the enemy, which had been collected by him for the