

equate compensation for the additional services he is bound to perform, and the further expenses he must inevitably incur in complying with the requisites of said resolution. By a resolution passed at a November session, eighteen hundred and twelve, the governor and council in the recess of the general assembly were authorised to adjust the claims of Jehu Chandler, and allow him such sum as they might in justice believe him entitled to receive for any services he might be compelled to perform, or any expenses he might incur beyond the ordinary services performed, or expenses incurred by his predecessor in the discharge of his official duties as printer to the state, and the governor and council were authorised to draw on the treasurer of the Western Shore for such sum as they might award to said Chandler, in consideration of such additional services and expenses so as aforesaid to be performed and incurred. In virtue of this authority delegated to the executive to liquidate the claim of the printer to the state to such additional compensation as they might believe him in justice entitled to receive for printing the laws and resolutions and votes and proceedings conformably to the resolution number sixty-four, of November session eighteen hundred and eleven, they upon full and mature deliberation, awarded and determined that he was entitled to receive in addition to his salary fixed by law the further sum of two hundred and forty three dollars. This resolution was temporary in its operation, and is now no longer in force, it is however an unequivocal expression of the opinion of the executive acting in this instance as the referes of the legislature that upon the principles of justice the printer to the state was then & of course he now is entitled to receive the sum of two hundred and forty three dollars in addition to his salary as permanently fixed by law for the discharge of those additional duties which the resolution of eighteen hundred and eleven compel him to perform. The senate also perceive that the salary of the clerk of the council has been increased, which they presume has been done with a view to compensate him for the performance of those extraordinary services growing out of the war in which we are engaged. It is moreover to be recollected that the labour and expenses of the printer to the state have been considerably augmented by the great increase of justices of the peace, for each of whom a copy of the laws and votes and proceedings must be printed.

Taking therefore the preamble of the act as their guide that those who dedicate their time, abilities and labour to the public, out to receive a reasonable and adequate compensation for their service, the senate cannot consistently with their views of what the claims of justice require, pass the bill with its present provisions. As however they are constitutionally prohibited from proposing any amendments, they have returned the bill to your honorable body with the hope that you will re-consider the same, and make such further compensation to the printer to the state for the additional services required to be performed, and expenses unavoidably to be incurred as the nature of the case may require.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

The bill entitled, an act for the preservation of deer, in Baltimore county. And the bill entitled, an act for the relief of Robert Teeling of Worcester county, were severally read the second time. passed with sundry amendments and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The resolution making an appropriation for raising troops, and the resolution authorising a loan, were severally read the second time by special order, assented to and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The resolution for printing the militia laws, was read the second time by special order, dissented from and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers a bill entitled, an act for the relief of the children of Thomas Littleford, late of Prince George's county, deceased, passed by that house the 2d Feb. 1815. Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table; and the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 1, 1815.

*Resolved*, That his excellency the governor be, and he is hereby requested to forward with all convenient dispatch to the president of the United States, and to each of the senators and representatives in congress from this state, a copy of the act for the better defence of state, and to prevent the frequent calls of the militia, passed at the present session of the Legislature.

By order,

UPTON S. REID, Clk.

Which was read the first and second time by special order and assented to. Sent to the house of delegates by the clerk; and the following resolutions:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, February 2, 1815.

Whereas, the journal of accounts was ordered to be closed on Sunday last, and the business of the state has required the attendance of the members longer than was expected.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of Western Shore be, and he is hereby required to pay to each member of the Legislature attending in discharge of his Legislative duties on this day, six days allowance in addition to what was allowed on the journal of accounts, and also six days allowance to the officers of each house.

And whereas from the severe frost and inclemency of the weather, the members from the Eastern Shore and some of the officers of both houses will be compelled to go around the head of the bay in order to attain their respective places of abode.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore pay to each member of the Legislature from the Eastern Shore in discharge of his Legislative duties, the following itinerant charges, in addition to those allowed on the journal of accounts, to wit: to the members from Cecil, now attending three days, itinerant charges: to the members from Queen Ann's, seven days, itinerant charges: to the members from Caroline, eight days, itinerant charges: to the members from Dorchester, nine days, itinerant charges: to the members from Somerset, eleven days, itinerant charges: to the members from Talbot, eight days, itinerant charges: to the members from Worcester, eleven days, itinerant charges: and to each officer of both houses from the Eastern Shore, the same number of days itinerant charges, that are allowed to the members of the