

served as a sergeant of dragoons in the said war; they therefore submit the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Rezin Simpson of Alleghany county, or to his order, such sum of money in addition to that already allowed him by a resolution passed at November session eighteen hundred and twelve, as shall be equal to the half pay of a sergeant of dragoon, from the day on which said allowance was made, and shall continue to pay to the said Rezin Simpson in the same manner as directed by the aforesaid resolution, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a sergeant of dragoons instead of that of a private.

By order,

W. K. LAMB DIN, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Stonestreet delivers petitions from John Robey and Nehemiah Crawford of Charles county, old soldiers praying compensation for their services. Which were severally read and referred to Messrs. Stonestreet, Ford and Jenkins.

Mr. Ford delivers a petition from William Gates of Charles county, an old soldier. Also a petition from John Boone of the same county, a revolutionary officer praying compensation for their services. Which were severally read and referred to Messrs Ford, Stonestreet and Jenkins.

Mr. Taney delivers a petition from Joseph Sim Smith of Frederick county, a revolutionary officer praying compensation for his services. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Taney, Beall and Lloyd.

Mr. Bradford from the committee, delivers the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of the trustees of the Harford county Academy, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into consideration and are of opinion that the prayer is reasonable and ought to be granted, they therefore recommend the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay to the trustees of the Harford county Academy or to their order the sum of hundred dollars on the first Monday of October annually, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury as a donation to said Academy.

By order,

JAMES GODDARD, Clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of Christian Smith and Philip Studer, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to.

The clerk of the senate delivers a bill entitled, an act to authorise the sale of the real estate therein mentioned, endorsed, "passed by the senate December 12th, 1815" Which was read. Also the following messages:

BY THE SENATE, December 12, 1815.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We assent to the proposal that a joint letter signed by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of delegates shall be immediately forwarded by express, to inform General Charles Ridgely of Hampton, that he is elected Governor, and to request his attendance to be qualified according to the constitution and laws of this state.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

BY THE SENATE, December 12, 1815.

*Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,*

We have received your message proposing to go into the election of a council to the governor at 12 o'clock this day. We have agreed with your concurrence to make the election at 6 o'clock this evening. No person is put in nomination by this house in addition to the gentlemen named by you. Messrs. Nabb and Kent, are appointed to join the gentlemen designated by your house to count the ballots and report thereon.

By order,

THOS. ROGERS, Clk.

Which were severally read.

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

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 12, 1815.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

We have received your message proposing to go into the election of a council to the governor at 6 o'clock, in lieu of the hour proposed by this house and have assented thereto.

By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clk.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the clerk of Saint Mary's and Talbot counties, relative to the attendance of the judges of their respective courts. Which were read.

The house adjourns until this evening half past 5 o'clock.

P. M. half past five o'clock.

The house met.

The message acceding to the proposition of the senate to elect the council at 6 o'clock this evening, and the resolution in favor of Christian Smith and Philip Studer, were sent to the senate.

The house having qualified agreeably to the constitution and form of government, proceeded to the choice of a council to the governor, the ballots being deposited in the ballot box, the gentlemen named to strike retired, and after some time returned and reported, that Alexander C. Magruder, James Shaw, Virgil Maxcy, John Murray and William H. Ward, were elected; whereupon,

*Resolved*, That Alexander C. Magruder, James Shaw, Virgil Maxcy, John Murray and William H. Ward, be, and they are hereby declared to be the council to the governor.

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

WEDNESDAY, December 13.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The speaker being absent, Ephraim K. Wilson, Esquire, was called to the chair. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Little delivers a bill entitled, an act for the maintenance of Martha Scantlin of Baltimore county. Mr. Calvert a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Mary Mayhew, Rachel Danison and an afflicted child of Sarah Locker of Prince George's county. And Mr. Johnson a bill entitled, an act annulling the marriage of Augustus Grahame of Frederick town, in Frederick county and Martha Grahame of the county aforesaid. Which were severally read.