

performed by him in printing the laws and votes and proceedings of 1812 and 1813; and also praying to be allowed interest on the amount of his claim against the state. Which was read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Stonestreet delivers a bill entitled, a further supplement to the act entitled, an act for quieting possessions and securing and confirming the estates of purchasers. Which was read.

The report in favor of Joseph S. Smith was read the second time and the resolution therein contained assented to.

Mr. A. D. Mitchell delivers a petition from James Sewell, praying that he may be authorised to continue, re-build and repair a certain bridge erected by him across the waters of Big Elk creek, in Cecil county. Which was read and referred to Messrs. A. D. Mitchell, Davidson and Beard.

Mr. Sellman delivers a petition from Richard G. Hutton and William Urquhart, praying for a sale of the real estate of Benjamin Deford, late of Anne Arundel county, deceased. Which was read and referred to Messrs. Sellman, Dorsey and C. Steuart.

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

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John D. Jaquet a sergeant in the revolutionary war, beg leave to report, that his case pleads powerfully for your interference in his behalf, and recommend the following resolve:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the Western Shore pay to John D. Jaquet a sergeant in the revolutionary war, annually in quarterly payments, the half pay of a sergeant for life, as a further remuneration for those services by which his country has been so essentially benefited.

By order,

JAS. GODDARD, Clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Little delivers a bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to lay out and open a road in Baltimore county. Which was read the first and second time; by special order and passed.

The bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Margaret Ann Boon of Caroline county, and William Betts of Queen Ann's County, which originated in the senate, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Hughes, Leave given to bring in a bill entitled; an act to increase the allowance to sheriff's for keeping prisoners in gaol and finding them victuals. Ordered, That Messrs. Hughes, Van Horn and William Steuart, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Taney delivers a bill entitled, an act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of completing St. Lucas reformed church in Frederick county. Mr. William Steuart a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of William Kennedy of the city of Baltimore. Mr. Stansbury a bill entitled, an act for making certain roads in Baltimore and Harford counties. Mr. Van Horn a bill entitled, an act to appoint Thomas R. Hodges of the town of Upper Marlbro, Prince George's county trustee for the sale of a certain tract of land therein mentioned. Mr. Thomas a bill entitled, an act for the benefit of Henry Beagley of Frederick county; and Mr. Spencer a bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act for the benefit of the heirs of William Ringold of Kent county. Which were severally read.

The bill entitled, an act to lay out and make public a road in Cecil county. The bill to confirm and make valid the deed therein mentioned, from Henry H. Brown to Matthias Hammond; and the bill authorising Thomas Stevas, late sheriff of Talbot county, to complete his collections, were severally read the second time and passed.

The bill entitled, an act for erecting a bridge over the river Potomac, was read a second time, and on motion by Mr. Bowles the question was put, that the house reconsider the said bill, for the purpose of amending the title by adding the words "near Williams Port in Washington county?" Which was agreed to and the question put, shall the said bill pass? Resolved in the affirmative.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to lay out and make public a road therein mentioned in Cecil county, endorsed, "will pass" Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to lay out and make public a road in Cecil county, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment," which was read, agreed to and the bill ordered to be engrossed. And the bill for the benefit of the heirs of William Norris, late of Harford county, deceased, and their assignees, endorsed, "will pass with the proposed amendment;" which amendment was read the first and second time by special order and disagreed to. Also the bill entitled, an act for the benefit of John Casson and James Casson, heirs and representatives of William Casson, late of Caroline county, deceased, passed by the senate December 20th, 1815. Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Stonestreet, the house proceeded to the second reading of the bill entitled a further supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, and on motion by Mr. E. K. Wilson, the question was put, that the further consideration of the said bill be postponed until to-morrow? Determined in the affirmative.

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

THURSDAY, December 21.

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

The bill for the relief of Catherine Joy and Elizabeth M'Mullin, for the use of her son Charles C. Cullins. The bill for the benefit of the heirs of David Gemmill, late of the city of Baltimore, deceased. The bill entitled, a supplement to an act entitled, an act to lay out and open a road in Baltimore county. The bill authorising Thomas Stevens, late sheriff of Talbot county to complete his collections. The bill to lay out and make public a road in Cecil county. The bill to confirm and make valid the deed therein mentioned, from Henry H. Brown to Matthias Hammond. The bill for erecting a bridge over the river Potomac near Williams port in Washington county; and the bill for the benefit of Margaret Ann Boon of Caroline county, and William Betts of Queen Ann's county; and the resolutions in favor of Joseph S. Smith, Peter Gebhart and Joseph Smith, were sent to the senate.

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

The committee to whom was referred so much of the communication of the executive, as relates to the revision and alteration of the present militia law of this state, report, that they know of no alterations particularly required in said law.

By order,

JAMES GODDARD, Clk.