

ryland Regiment, on the 21st day of June, 1779, and was missing on the 16th of August, 1780, and he was reported as missing in August 1780, his name does not appear upon the pay rolls." It is reasonable to presume had the memorialist a valid claim it would have been presented at the time the lots were distributed and as the records of the land office contain the best evidence of which the case is susceptible, which do not sustain his pretensions to a fifty acre lot. The committee therefore report unfavorably. All which is respectfully submitted.

The resolution was then read the second time.

The bill entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning the amendment of judicial proceedings, was being read the second time, when

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

The following amendment was read and assented to:

Add as the 4th section the following:

Be it enacted, That in all suits or actions instituted after the passage of this act, at law as well as in equity where an award is pleaded or given in evidence, the plaintiff or defendant may impeach the same on the ground of fraud, and that said award may be also impeached, by proof that it was made without due notice to the parties or their attorneys, or by the fraud or improper conduct of the arbitrators, provided that nothing in this act shall extend to such awards as shall be made under rule of any court, where objections shall have been filed to the same and overruled.

The bill was then read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Mayer,

Leave was granted to the committee on judicial proceedings to prepare and report a bill to be entitled, an act to extend to the high court of chancery, and to the county courts, as courts of equity, jurisdiction in cases of divorce.