Mr. J. T. Chase from the committee appointed to receive all petitions and proposals relating to the establishment of manufactories, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a report; which: was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A memorial from Messieurs Buchanan and Cummins, contractors for supplying the troops in

the service of this state, was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock.

## MERIDIEM.

The house met.

Mr. Smith from the committee appointed to re-consider and settle the rank of the military officers of this state, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE of both houses appointed to adjust and settle the rank and make an arrangement of the battalions to be raifed by this state.

YOUR committee have proceeded to make out a roster of the rank of the officers, and also

an arrangement of the battalions, which are hereunto annexed.

Many commissions having been granted by the commissioners, dated the tenth of December last, your committee are of opinion that the rank cannot be given agreeable to the roster, without antedating some commissions; and your committee are of opinion that commissions should be filled up by the governor, in such manner that the above rank may be preserved.

All which is submitted to the consideration of the honourable senate and house of delegates.

Signed by order of com. JOHN JOHNSON, clk. Which was read the first time with the arrangement and rank of the officers, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Lethrbury from the conferees of both houses, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the tollowing propositions:

The conferees from the senate propose, that the nomination of collectors be by the governor,

by and with the advice and confent of the council.

The conferees from the house of delegates propose, that every house-keeper (except tavernkeepers) shall deliver in an account (and if required, on oath, to be administered by the collector) of all the blankets, the property of the said house-keeper, over and above the number commonly used by the family in the winter season, and shall deliver to the collector one half of the faid overplus; and if the quantity so obtained shall not be sufficient, in the opinion of the governor and the council, to supply the present necessities of our troops, that the governor and the council may direct the collectors to require a delivery of the residue of the said overplus, or such part thereof as the governor and council adjudge necessary for the public service; and that the collectors on the eastern shore convey and deposit the blankets collected on that shore to Chester-Town, and that the collectors on the western shore convey and deposit the blankets collected on that shore to the city of Annapolis and Baltimore-Town; and that the governor and the council be empowered to appoint proper persons to receive them, and to order the blankets to such other places, and under the care of such persons as they shall think proper.

Which were read, and the question put, That the house concur with the proposition from

the senate? Carried in the negative.

## RMATI

Read, Lethrbury, Allein,	Ennalls, Henry, Veazy,	O. Sprigg, S. Chafe, Brice, N E G A	Benson, Bruff, Wright, T I V	Edelen, Sheredine, Downes,	Smith, J. T. Chase.
Ford, Perkins, Maxwell, Tillard, Hammond,	Hall, Parran, Somervill, M'Pherson, Deye,	Stevenson, R. Bond, Ewing, Bowie, Craufurd,	Magruder, Gibson, Kent, Bordley, Chaille,	Mitchell, J. Bond, T. Bond, Archer, Smithson,	Douglass, Mason, Schnebely, Williams, Crabb.

The house concur with the proposition made by the conferees of this house.

Mr. Hall brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees.

Mr. S. Chase from the committee of both houses appointed to consider of a proper mode of intercourse between the governor and the general assembly, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

By the COMMITTEE appointed to consider of a proper mode of intercourse between the governor and the general assembly.

IN obedience to the order of both houses, we have taken under consideration what may be the proper mode of intercourse or communication with the governor, and are of opinion, that