

cured to ascertain the quantity taken from the purchaser, and that he be allowed a reasonable compensation for the same; they therefore submit the following resolution to the house.

RESOLVED, That the agent of this state be directed to inquire into the matter of the petition of Simon Wickes, of Kent county, on the oath of witnesses, and that William Brown and Simon Wickes be credited with such sum as shall be deemed by the agent to have been the value of the wheat cut and taken by John Lowman off the land purchased by William Brown of the state on the 17th of November, 1784, making a just and reasonable deduction for cutting and securing the grain, and for seeding the same.

By order,

J. WILMER, clk.

Which was read.

The report on the petition of Edward Abell, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained assented to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

On motion, the question was put, That the order of the day, to wit: The second reading of the bill to confirm an act, entitled, An act to prohibit members of congress, or persons in office under the United States, from being eligible as members of the legislature, or council, or holding offices in this state, be postponed until Tuesday next? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.						
	Thomas,	J. Worthington,	Ridgely, of Wm.	Hollingsworth,	Purnell,	Amos,
	Ford,	Brogden,	Gough,	Ewing,	Corbin,	Driver,
	Plowden,	Mackall,	Sherwood,	Quynn,	Beatty,	Loockerman,
Messrs.	Plater,	Brooke,	Cox,	Duvall,	Sappington,	Swearingen,
	Wilmer,	Grahame,	Jones,	O'Bryon,	Butcher,	Jacques,
	Tilghman,	Chapman,	Denwood,	Barnes,	Nelson,	Beall,
	Harwood,	Hawkins,	Eccleston, jun.	Hutchings,	Jarrett,	Bayard,
	N. Worthington,	Campbell,	Goldborough,	Townsend,	Prall,	Tomlinson. 48.
N E G A T I V E.						
Messrs.	J. Ringgold,	Cockey,	Clark,	Dennis,	O'Donnell,	Threlkeld,
	Freeland,	Gibson,	Sprigg,	Hughlett,	Cromwell,	Wootton. 17.
	M'Pherfon,	Bowie,	Contee,	Douglafs,	Oneale,	

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Speaker lays before the house a letter from James M'Henry, enclosing accounts and vouchers respecting a contract made with the late intendant for the purchase of final settlement certificates, and praying an indemnification; which was read, and referred to Mr. Oneale, Mr. Duvall, Mr. N. Worthington, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. Kerr and Mr. M'Mechen, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Grahame has leave of absence till Monday next. Mr. Ridgely has leave of absence for a few days. Mr. Nelson has leave of absence.

On the second reading of the report on the petition of Duncan Shipley, the question was put, That the prayer of the said petition be granted? Determined in the negative.

Mr. Mackall, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Francis Lewis, of Calvert county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the said petitioner ought not to be granted, as soldiers of a similar description with the petitioner, who had served nine months in the army, were entitled to receive their monthly pay from the United States, and no vouchers have been produced to your committee to shew that the petitioner has not already received a compensation for his services. All which is submitted to this honourable house.

By order,

C. WAYMAN, clk.

Which was read the first and second time and concurred with.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Allegany county, report, they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion a law ought to pass pursuant to the prayer of said petition. All which is submitted to the honourable house.

By order,

C. WAYMAN, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from John Reed, and others, praying compensation for services during the late war, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Oneale, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Quynn, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from John W. Footman, praying an act of insolvency, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on petitions of a similar nature.

Mr. Speaker lays before the house a letter from John Hoskin Stone, and a memorial, praying to be refunded certain certificates paid to the state on a contract for the purchase of pig-iron, which was never delivered; which were read, and referred to Mr. Duvall, Mr. Quynn, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Wootton and Mr. Campbell, to consider and report thereon.

Mr. Sprigg, from the committee, brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker a bill, entitled, A Supplement to an act to restrain surveyors, to regulate certain proceedings in the land-office, and to compel the attendance of witnesses on surveys under the authority of the chancery, general, and county courts; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The supplement to an act, entitled, An act to empower the justices of the peace for Charles county to assess and levy a sum of money on said county to repair their court-house and build a record-office, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

RESOLVED,