MONDAY, December 23, 1799.

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

The bill to regulate elections was ſent to the ſenate by the clerk.

Mr. Digges, from the committee, delivers to the ſpeaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the repreſentation of Frederick Green, printer to the ſtate, and the memorial of William Kilty, report, that they have examined the ſaid repreſentation and memorial, and as far as the time would permit, have examined the firſt volume of the laws of the ſtate, prepared under the reſolutions of the laſt ſeſſion, which they are of opinion is executed with great accuracy, judgment and fidelity, ſtrictly conformable to the reſolutions of the legiſlature, and merits their public approbation and encouragement. The committee have ſeen the remainder of the work, as prepared for the preſs, and have every reaſon to believe it will be executed in the ſame manner as the firſt volume, and with ſimilar annotations as to the repeals, continuances, and expiration of laws and ſupplements, and that the index will be full as the reſolutions direct. They further report, that there is reaſon to expect the completion of the whole work before the meeting of the next general aſſembly, and they conceive an early diſtribution would be greatly uſeful to the public. They are further of opinion, that it will be practicable, and highly expedient, to include in the compilation the acts to be paſſed at the preſent ſeſſion. The committee are of opinion, that it was impracticable, both with regard to the editing and printing, to have the whole work ſo completed as to be laid before the preſent ſeſſion of aſſembly. They beg leave, in concluſion, to recommend the following reſolutions, as proper to be adopted by the houſe.

RESOLVED, That William Kilty include in the edition of the laws now compiling by him under reſolutions of the laſt general aſſembly, and agreeably thereto, the acts to be paſſed during the preſent ſeſſion.

RESOLVED, That the printer to the ſtate be and he is hereby directed to have the ſaid laws, when finiſhed, bound in a neat and ſubſtantial manner, and as expeditiouſly as poſſible, and delivered to the governor and council.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council cauſe the ſaid laws to be diſtributed and forwarded as follow: To the chancery court, one copy, to the chancellor, one copy, to the court of appeals, one copy, to each judge thereof, one copy, to the general courts, each one copy, to each judge thereof, one copy, to the governor and council, one copy, to the ſenate, two copies, to the houſe of delegates, four copies, to each county court, one copy, to each judge thereof, one copy, to each orphans court, one copy, to each levy court, one copy, to the land-office weſtern ſhore, one copy, to the land-office eaſtern ſhore, one copy, to the treaſury of weſtern ſhore, one copy, to the treaſury of eaſtern ſhore, one copy, to the executive of each ſtate, one copy, to the houſe of repreſentatives of the United States, one copy, to the ſenate of the United States, one copy, to the ſecretary of ſtate, one copy, to every college or academy in this ſtate, one copy, to the editor, one copy, to each member of the general aſſembly, one copy, to the clerk of the ſenate, one copy, to aſſiſtant clerk of ſenate, one copy, to the clerk of houſe of delegates, one copy, to aſſiſtant clerk of houſe of delegates, one copy.

RESOLVED, That the laws for the chancery court, court of appeals, general courts, county courts, orphans courts, land-offices, the governor and council, the ſenate and the houſe of delegates, be marked on the ſide for their uſe reſpectively, and that thoſe for the ſeveral ſtates, congreſs, and for the ſecretary of ſtate, be handſomely bound in calf-ſkin, and marked for their uſe reſpectively.

RESOLVED, That the treaſurer be and he is directed to advance to William Kilty the ſum of two thouſand dollars in part of the compenſation to be allowed for the whole work.

By order,

J. F. HARRIS, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from George Campbell, of Baltimore county, an old ſoldier, praying depreciation of pay, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Key and Mr. Brown, to conſider and report thereon.

Mr. Carroll, from the committee, delivers to the ſpeaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Francis Dawes and William C. Gouldſmith, of the city of Baltimore, report, that they have taken the ſame into conſideration, and are of opinion that the prayer thereof is juſt, and ought to be granted; they therefore recommend the following reſolution:

RESOLVED, That the treaſurer of the weſtern ſhore be authoriſed, and he is hereby directed, to cancel a bond given on the 16th December, 1795, by Francis Dawes and William Copeland Gouldſmith, for one thouſand one hundred and twenty-five pounds currency, the ſaid bond having been given for a portion of a lot in the city of Baltimore number 63, which ſaid lot appears to have not been liable to confiſcation.

By order,

R. K. WATTS, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Hall, from the committee, delivers to the ſpeaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas C. Deye, of Baltimore county, report, that they have taken the ſame into conſideration, and find the facts truly ſtated, and think the prayer thereof juſt and reaſonable, and that it ought to be granted; they therefore recommend the following reſolution: