

ferred to the committee appointed on so much of the communications from the executive as relate to the bank stock.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Joshua Barrett, of the city of Annapolis, report, that they have had the same under consideration, and find, from the documents attending the same, that the petitioner served as a soldier in the revolutionary war from the eighteenth day of December, seventeen hundred and seventy-six, to the conclusion thereof, and that he was appointed a sergeant on the third day of June, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine; your committee are also satisfied, from the certificate of doctor Shaaff, of the city of Annapolis, that the petitioner labours under diseases that incapacitate him from procuring a maintenance, which appear to have proceeded from the wounds received at the battle of Camden, and that being far advanced in the decline of life, he is worthy of that legislative provision which has been gratefully and benevolently extended to the war-worn soldier, deprived of means of support by the effects of valuable services hitherto rendered their country; they therefore recommend the following resolution :

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby required and directed to pay, annually, to Joshua Barrett, a late sergeant in the revolutionary war, a sum of money, in quarterly payments, equal to the half pay of a sergeant during the war aforesaid, as a further remuneration to the said Joshua Barrett for the services rendered his country, and as a relief from the indigence and misery which attend his decrepitude and old age.

By order,

L. GASSAWAY, clk.

Which was read.

The bill, entitled, An act to authorise the sale of certain land belonging to the estate of Stephen Wilson, late of the city of Baltimore, deceased, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The bill, entitled, An act authorising the levy courts of Kent and Queen-Anne's counties to levy a sum of money for building a bridge over Chester river, at the Head of Chester, was read the second time, and the question put, Shall the said bill pass? The yeas and nays being required, appeared as follow:

A F F I R M A T I V E.

Messieurs	R Neale,	Dorsey,	Harryman,	Cottman,	Veazey,	Shaaff,	Montgomery,	Darne,
	W Neale,	Parnham,	Meluy,	Hyland,	Miller,	Prideaux,	Forwood,	Bruce,
	Hebb,	Stuart,	Spencer,	Ennalls,	Lyles,	Williams,	Holbrook,	B. Tomlinson,
	Scott,	Chapman,	Goldsborough,	Sheredine,	Contee,	Clarke,	Swearingen,	Bayard,
	Moore,	M'Pherson,	T. Bayly,	Alexander,	Muir,	Cockey,	Selby,	J. Tomlinson,
	Hatcheson,	Stansbury,	Jackson,					

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Blake,	Lowrey,	Thompson,	Bowles.	4.
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The following message was read and ordered to lie on the table.

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATE S, DECEMBER 31, 1804.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE,

BELIEVING, as we do, that all the business of this house can be acted on by the tenth day of January next we therefore propose, with the concurrence of the senate, to close the session on that day.

Mr. Montgomery, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to withdraw certain funds from the cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, and the town of Easton, and a certain part of said funds from St. John's college, and placing the same in the respective treasuries, subject to the appropriation of the legislature which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. J. Bayly, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to make permanent and to continue the acts of assembly therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. R. Neale, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of George Ford, of Saint-Mary's county, a minor; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

T U E S D A Y, January 1, 1805.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday, except Mr. Barber. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act to lay out and open a road in Anne-Arundel county, was read the second time and passed.

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

A memorial and remonstrance from Samuel N. Ridgely, of Baltimore county, counter to the petition of David Wilson, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of William Rose, James Booker and Philemon Willis, of Talbot county, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the said petition is reasonable, and ought to be granted, and submit the following resolution :