

Mr. Stone, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of Catherine Johnson; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. W. H. Brown, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the following report:

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of John Boudy, a disabled soldier in our revolutionary war, beg leave to report, that they have taken the same into their consideration, and find the facts therein stated to be true; they therefore submit the following resolution to the consideration of the house.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to John Boudy, or order, in quarterly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a private soldier, as a remuneration for his services in our revolutionary war. All which is submitted.

By order,

W. DIXON, clk.

Which was read.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying an alteration in the charter thereof, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Steuart, Mr. Little, Mr. T. Dorsey, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Tabbs, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying commissioners may be appointed to review the road from the Maryland line, near the Fawn meeting-house in Pennsylvania, leading by John Gladden's and by Cox's mill to Baltimore city, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Streett, Mr. Davis and Mr. Ayres, to consider and report thereon.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that a road leading from the Baltimore road at Mordecai Amos's, passing Mr. Thomas Amos's to the Black House, may be a public highway, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Streett, Mr. Davis and Mr. Ayres, to consider and report thereon.

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

THE committee to whom was referred the petition of Thomas S. Brewer, report, that they have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that the prayer of the said petitioner ought to be granted; therefore

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Thomas S. Brewer, late a sergeant in the revolutionary war, or to his order, in half yearly payments, a sum of money equal to the half pay of a sergeant.

By order,

N. MARTIN, clk.

Which was read.

Mr. Frazier, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of Levin Woolford, of Dorchester county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Tabbs, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, A supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the relief of John Booth, and confirming his title in certain lands therein mentioned; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from Nicholas Brewer, register in chancery, enclosing his account of seals and taxes; which was read.

Mr. C. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery for raising a sum of money for building a church in Charles county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Forwood, from the committee, delivers to the speaker a bill, entitled, An act to appoint and authorise commissioners to review and lay out the road therein mentioned in Harford county; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Abraham Baker, of Harford county, counter to the petition for a road passing by More's mill to the Black House, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee appointed on the petition to which it is counter.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore county, praying a law may pass for repairing the Hagar's-town road, leading from Gravel Hill towards Randall's-town, was preferred, read, and referred to Mr. Little, Mr. Harryman and Mr. Brown, to consider and report thereon.

On motion, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act authorising Thomas Bailey, late sheriff and collector of Baltimore county, to complete his collection, and for other purposes. ORDERED, That Mr. T. Dorsey, Mr. Little and Mr. Steuart, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. T. Dorsey, from the committee, delivers to the speaker the said bill; which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

ORDERED, That the further consideration of the bill to regulate and discipline the militia of this state be postponed until to-morrow.

The bill to prevent the going at large of swine and poultry in Clarksburgh, in Montgomery county, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

The following message was read the first and second time, agreed to, and sent to the senate by the clerk.

By the HOUSE of DELEGATES, December 29, 1807.

*Gentlemen of the Senate,*

IN the discharge of a melancholy duty we inform you of the decease of Mr. John Gale, late a delegate from Kent county, and member of this house; as a testimonial of respect to his memory we propose, that the members