

1830. States sloop of war Wasp. and his Britannic Majesty's ship Frolic, which terminated in a glorious victory, notwithstanding the great disparity of force in favour of the latter, and on other important occasions.

*Resolved,* That the governor be and he is hereby authorised and directed, to procure and present to Captain George W. Rogers a sword, as further evidence of the high sense we entertain of the services he has rendered his country, and that the governor be authorised to draw on the treasurer of the western shore for such sum as may be necessary to carry into effect these resolutions.

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No. 9.

Passed Jan 20. A Resolution relative to Internal Improvement.

*Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the extension and security of the coasting trade of the states of Virginia, Delaware, and of this state, would be effectually promoted by the opening of a safe and direct navigation through the Sounds which run parallel with the sea-coast, and by the construction of such canals, as may be requisite for the purpose, between the Chesapeake Bay, at or near Cape Charles, and Lewistown Creek on the Bay of Delaware, and that the co-operation of the states interested in the improvement be immediately invited to this object.

*Resolved,* That the governor of this state be requested to communicate the foregoing resolution to the president of the United States, and to express the earnest wish of this general assembly, that one or more competent engineers may be appointed to make an accurate survey of the coast designated in the said resolution, and to report the estimate of the probable cost of the improvement proposed.

*Resolved,* That the governor be also requested to transmit a copy of the first resolution to the governor of the states of Virginia and Delaware, and to desire that the same may be as speedily as possible communicated to their respective general assemblies.