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LITTLE, Peter, (1775 - 1830)

LITTLE, Peter, a Representative from Maryland; born in Petersburg, Huntingdon County, Pa., December 11, 1775; attended the common schools; became a watchmaker; moved to Freedom, Baltimore County, Md., and engaged in agricultural pursuits; member of the State house of delegates in 1806 and 1807; elected as a Republican to the Twelfth Congress (March 4, 1811-March 3, 1813); was not a candidate for renomination in 1812; during the War of 1812 was commissioned colonel of the Thirty-eighth Maryland Infantry and served from May 19, 1813, to June 15, 1815; elected as a Republican to the Fourteenth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of William Pinkney; reelected as a Republican to the Fifteenth, Sixteenth, and Seventeenth Congresses, as a Jackson Republican to the Eighteenth, and as an Adams candidate to the Nineteenth and Twentieth Congresses and served from September 2, 1816, to March 3, 1829; chairman, Committee on Accounts (Fourteenth and Fifteenth Congresses), Committee on Pensions and Revolutionary Claims (Eighteenth and Nineteenth Congresses), Committee on Revolutionary Claims (Nineteenth Congress), Committee on Expenditures in the Department of the Navy (Twentieth Congress); declined to be a candidate for renomination; judge of the orphans' court of Baltimore County; died in Freedom, Baltimore County, Md., February 5, 1830; interment in Freedom Methodist Episcopal Cemetery, near Eldersburg, Carroll County, Md.