

RESOLUTIONS assented to November Session, 1790.

son and William Smith the sum of twelve hundred and thirteen pounds nineteen shillings and eleven-pence halfpenny, with interest on the sum of six hundred and forty-two pounds seventeen shillings and four-pence from the first of September, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, upon security being given, to be approved of by the said treasurer, that the original bond, if found, shall not be a charge against this state.

WHEREAS sundry debtors, in virtue of a resolution assented to at April session, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, discharged their bonds in final settlement certificates, which had an interest due thereon previous to the first day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, and the said resolution authorised a payment of such bonds in final settlement certificates bearing an interest only from the said first day of January, and it is reasonable that the surplus interest should be allowed to them; therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of such surplus interest, in indents, to all debtors who have discharged their bonds in virtue of the said resolution, or to their legal representatives.

RESOLVED, That the auditor be and he is hereby authorised and directed to settle with, and grant a certificate or certificates for depreciation of pay unto, John Lanham, late a soldier in the first Maryland regiment, on the same terms and in the same manner that depreciation of pay hath been heretofore granted to officers and soldiers of the Maryland line.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be authorised and empowered to contract with the clerk of the general court of the western shore to transcribe such of the records and dockets of the said court as are defaced, to complete the said records from the year 1765 to the time of the appointment of Mr. Hodgkin, and so make the necessary alphabets where there are none, and also a general alphabet, to separate and sort all the papers of the office, up to the time aforesaid, and arrange them in proper bundles, in alphabetical order, and to have all the said records well bound with good strong linen, and well secured in cases, and also for the binding of the said records where necessary; and that the governor and council pay the said clerk, and defray all expences which may accrue in the work, by draughts on the treasury, to be paid out of any monies unappropriated.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to contract with the register of the land-office for the transcribing such of the records and alphabets of the said office as are defaced, and for the binding of the record books where necessary, and that the record books be covered with good strong linen if necessary; that the governor and council contract with the register of wills for Anne-Arundel county to transcribe such of the records and alphabets of the prerogative office as are defaced, to continue and complete the general alphabet, to complete the records of the said office, and for binding the record books where necessary, that the record books be covered with good strong linen, and that the records and papers be secured in cases; that the governor and council contract with the register in chancery for completing the records of said office, that the record books be covered with good strong linen if necessary; and that they defray the expence of the aforesaid contract, by draughts on the treasury, out of any unappropriated money.

RESOLVED, That all money which shall be paid into the treasury of the western shore under the directions of William Campbell, agent for the state, during the year seventeen hundred and ninety-one, shall be and is hereby appropriated, in the first place, to the payment of the civil list for the said year.

RESOLVED, That the auditor-general be and he is hereby empowered to adjust and settle, subject to the direction of the governor and council, all open and unsettled accounts between the state and individuals, and in making the said settlements the auditor and the governor and council may proceed upon equitable principles, and receive such vouchers as may be satisfactory to them, although not strictly legal; that all accounts examined and passed by the auditor shall be signed by him, and the said accounts shall be carried to the governor and council, or to the council in the absence of the governor, for their approbation, who, if they approve, may order the treasurer of the western shore to issue a certificate for the amount of the balance, who shall issue accordingly, and the persons in whose favour the said orders shall be drawn, shall respectively give a receipt upon the accounts, which shall be carried without delay to the auditor, that the same may be entered in his books; and that in case the said auditor refuse to act, die, resign, or remove out of the state, in the recess of the house of delegates, the governor and council may appoint a proper person to such vacant office, to hold the same until the next meeting of the house of delegates.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby empowered to employ an agent to superintend the collection of all balances due to the state upon open account, and allow him such compensation for his services as they may think proper, not exceeding five per cent. on the amount of all money paid into the treasury under his agency.

RESOLVED ALSO, That the said auditor and agent keep distinct accounts of their proceedings under the foregoing resolutions, and lay the same before the next general assembly for their inspection and examination.

RESOLVED, That Christopher Richmond be and he is appointed a commissioner for this state, to superintend the settlement of the accounts of this state with the United States; and that the said Christopher Richmond shall be allowed, for his and a clerk's services, during the time he shall be employed in his agency, at the rate of six hundred pounds current money per annum.

WHEREAS by a resolution passed at May session, 1788, the treasurer of the eastern shore was directed to pay to Mary Wiley, or her order, the sum of one hundred and five pounds current money, with legal interest thereon from 15th June, 1785; which hath not been paid, because the said treasurer hath had no unappropriated money in his hands; therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to the said Mary Wiley, or her assigns or legal representatives, the said sum of one hundred