

RESOLUTIONS assented to November Session, 1790.

ern shore for the sum due, in specie, who shall give a certificate for the sum expressed in the order agreeably to the directions of the act of assembly passed at May session, seventeen hundred and eighty-one, entitled, An act to adjust the debts due from this state.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby directed to take measures for entering an appearance to and defending the suit brought against this state by Messieurs Vanstaphorst, and that they have power to employ such attorneys, counsel and agents, as they may think proper, and draw orders on the treasurer of the western shore for such sums as may, in their opinion, be necessary for this purpose.

RESOLVED, That the governor and council be and they are hereby directed to ascertain the amount of the interest due on the loan of two hundred and seventy thousand florins, negotiated for this state by the late Mr. Ridley, computed to the first day of January, seventeen hundred and ninety-one, reckoning the same on the principles of simple interest, and estimating the money paid by the state at the rate of three shillings current money for each florin; and that the treasurer of the western shore pay the said order out of the money now in the treasury lately under appropriation for the payment of the said interest.

RESOLVED, That the senators of this state, in the congress of the United States, be and they are hereby instructed to use their endeavours to obtain an assumption by the United States of the debt due on the loan negotiated for this state, by the late Mr. Ridley, with Messieurs Nicholas and Jacob Vanstaphorst; and that the president of the senate, and speaker of the house of delegates, be requested to communicate this resolution to the said senators.

RESOLVED, That the governor and the council be and they are hereby authorized and directed to take such measures as they shall think proper, in concert with the government of Virginia, for the disposal of the materials formerly provided for the erection of a light-house on the head land of Cape Henry, in which this state has an interest.

WHEREAS John Frederick Amelung borrowed of this state the sum of one thousand pounds, payable in two equal payments, the one at the expiration of three years, the other at the expiration of four years, from the time of the loan, for the purpose of promoting a glass manufactory in Frederick county: And whereas the said John Frederick Amelung has lately met with a very considerable and unexpected loss by a great part of his works being consumed by fire, by which it will be extremely difficult for the said Amelung to comply with his engagements to the state without obstruction and injury to the prosecution of his work; **RESOLVED**, That the said John Frederick Amelung be and he is hereby indulged until the first day of June, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-two, for his first payment, and for the second until the first day of June, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-three.

RESOLVED, That the chancellor of the state of Maryland be and he is hereby authorized to adjust, or cause to be adjusted, all claims that the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the taxes in Prince-George's county, have against the state, and liquidate the same in such manner as to him shall appear equitable and right, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; and upon such liquidation to decree the debt due from the said securities, in which shall be included such part of the fifteen shilling additional tax imposed by a supplementary act to the act for raising supplies for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-one, as hath been received by the said securities.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to receive of the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the taxes in Prince-George's county, the sum of one hundred and sixty pounds of the stock created under the act of congress, bearing an interest of six per cent. after the year eighteen hundred, for every hundred pounds of the debt that the chancellor shall decree to be due on the said Thomas Williams collector's bond, from the said securities, and on such payments being made by the said securities, or either of them, the treasurer shall give the said securities a receipt therefor in full discharge of all claims that the state have against them as securities aforesaid; provided that the same be paid on or before the first day of August next, and that all proceedings at law be stayed against the said securities, on the bonds aforesaid, until that period.

RESOLVED, That the debtors of Thomas Williams, late collector of Prince-George's county, for taxes, and the debtors to the securities, or either of them, of the said Thomas Williams, in consequence of the securityship aforesaid, be and are hereby allowed to satisfy and pay their respective balances in the deferred stock of the United States, bearing an interest of six per cent. after the year eighteen hundred, upon the same terms and conditions that the securities are permitted to discharge the debt due from them to the state, or at the value thereof in specie at the time of payment, such value to be ascertained monthly by the treasurer of the western shore.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of Adam Hubley, junior, that James Chalmers, late of Kent county, in the state of Maryland, was indebted, by bond and otherwise, to a certain Robert Field and Thomas Riche, which said bond was lost; that the auditor-general, on the first day of September, in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, passed the aforesaid claims against said Chalmers, amounting to twelve hundred and thirteen pounds nineteen shillings and eleven-pence halfpenny, and directed the same to be paid upon security being given, that the original bond, lost as aforesaid, if found, should not be a charge against the state; and it being represented to this general assembly, that Joseph Nicholson, junior, and William Smith, as agents of the executors of the aforesaid Robert Field and Thomas Riche, deceased, purchased lots number seven and nine of the real estate of the aforesaid James Chalmers, and entered into bond for the payment of the purchase money to the state of Maryland, which said purchase was made by the said Joseph Nicholson, junior, and William Smith, as agents, and under the direction of the executors of the aforesaid Field and Riche, to secure the claims aforesaid against the aforesaid James Chalmers: And whereas, by the laws of this state no person is authorized to take a bond of indemnity agreeably to the aforesaid direction of the auditor-general; therefore, **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized and directed to credit the bond of Joseph Nicholson