

SIX GUINEAS REWARD.
Upper Marlborough, February 23, 1787.

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167 Prizes.
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ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND.
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**A LIST of Letters remaining in the Post-Office,
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FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

*An ACT for the settlement of public accounts, and to ap-
point persons to collect the debts due to persons convicted
of treason, and for a specific performance of certain con-
tracts made by British subjects previous to the revolution.*

WHEREAS a number of citizens have claims
against British merchants trading to this state
before the revolution, and since peace those merchants
have appointed factors or agents to collect the debts
due to them from the citizens of this state, and those
factors or agents never having notified by public ad-
vertisement, or otherwise, their power to adjust the
debts of said merchants, those citizens who have claims
against them are unable to obtain a settlement of their
accounts, and it being necessary to secure, as far as
possible, to our citizens their just debts,

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,
That all such factors or agents, or their principals,
now within this state, unless bond with security be
given as herein after directed, shall on or before the
first day of August next, lodge with the auditor a list
of all balances due to such merchants upon oath, and
any such factor, agent or merchant, who shall here-
after come into this state, within four months from
the time of coming into this state, lodge with the au-
ditor a list upon oath of all balances due to such mer-
chants, and if they should neglect to deliver such list
as aforesaid, then it may be lawful for the creditors of
such merchants to plead the non-compliance with this
act, and the several courts of justice within this state
hereby directed not to proceed, after the first day of Au-
gust next, to give judgment against any citizen of this
state on any action brought by any of the said mer-
chants, or their agents as aforesaid, unless they pro-
duce a certificate from the auditor certifying that this
act has been complied with

And be it enacted, That every factor or agent ap-
pointed to collect debts due before the seventeenth day
of October, seventeen hundred and eighty, by citizens
of this state to subjects of Great Britain, and every
such British creditor, if he shall collect, shall give bond
to the state with such security and in such penalty as
the chancellor shall approve, with condition, that he
will satisfy and pay all just debts due from such cre-
ditors to any citizen of this state, so far as debts shall
be collected by him; and no debtor of any such British
creditor shall be obliged to pay his debt before
bond be given as hereby required, and bonds and
security shall be given as aforesaid, then the British
merchant, agent or factor, shall not be obliged to re-
turn the list as is herein before directed.

And, Whereas numbers of accounts and claims
against persons whose property has been confiscated by
this state, have been laid before the auditor, and be ap-
proved and passed for payment thereof, and many of
them have been and still may be rejected for want of
the necessary evidence to satisfy the auditor of the just-
ness of the claim. *Be it enacted,* That in all cases where
the auditor has rejected or shall reject any account or
claim as aforesaid for want of the necessary proof, or
from an opinion that the claim is unjust, the claimant
may lay his papers before the chancellor, who is here-
by authorized to make up an issue on the case and send
it for trial to the county court where such person re-
sides, or the general court, as the case may require,
and any judgment obtained on trial as aforesaid shall
be sufficient to authorize the treasurer to receive the
claim for payment agreeably to law.

And be it enacted, That in all cases where it shall ap-
pear to the auditor by the lists returned as before di-
rected, that there are debts in the hands of the citizens
of this state due to persons whose property has been
confiscated as British property, the creditors of such
persons shall resort for satisfaction out of such debts,
and the property confiscated shall be only responsible
where such debts are insufficient to pay and satisfy the
claims of such creditors.

And be it enacted, That the power and authority
heretofore vested in the governor and council to ap-
prove or reject accounts passed by the auditor be, and
is hereby abrogated, and the auditor is hereby re-
quired to take into his possession all the accounts and
claims which now lie before the governor and council,
and to reconsider, adjust, and pass or reject the same,
as justice shall require.

And, whereas there may be debts due to persons
convicted of treason, and there is no mode pointed out
by law for collecting the same, *Be it enacted,* That the
county courts be, and they are hereby directed to appoint
a proper person in their county to take into their posses-
sion the books, accounts, or other papers belonging to
such persons convicted as aforesaid, and that the said
person so appointed shall be, and is hereby authorized to
collect, and if need be to sue for and recover in the
name of this state, all such debts, dues and demands, as he
shall discover to be due in his county to such convicted
person, and to pay the same, after deducting his com-
mission for his trouble and expence, into the treasury
of his shire, and that the monies so paid in shall be con-

sidered as part of the estate of the person to whom due,
and applied towards discharging the claims against such
estate; and the person so as aforesaid appointed by the
county court for the purpose aforesaid shall, before he
acts in virtue of such appointment, give bond to the
state in such penalty and with such security as the said
court shall approve, for the faithful execution of the
trust reposed in him by this act, the said bond to be
lodged with the clerk of said court, to be by him re-
corded, and the original to be transmitted with all
convenient speed to the register in chancery, to be by
him safely kept in his office, and such county court may
allow the person by them appointed such commission for
his trouble as they may adjudge reasonable according
to circumstances, not exceeding in any case fifteen per
cent.

And, whereas there may have been contracts and sales
made of lands by persons who were British subjects at the
time of the revolution with citizens of this or some one
of the United States, and there is no mode of pro-
curing a conveyance of such property, or compelling
a specific performance of such contracts *Be it enacted,*
That in all cases where there has been a contract and
sale of any real property by a British subject previous
to the revolution, and such contract has not been com-
pleted, in such cases it shall and may be lawful for
the claimant, or he is hereby authorized and di-
rected, upon bill being filed by the party, and upon
full inquiry made into all the circumstances of the case,
to decree a conveyance of the property and payment
of the money agreeable to the rules of the court of
chancery, and upon such decree being signed, and the
money paid, it shall and may be lawful for the chan-
cellor to execute a conveyance in fee-simple for the
same. *And* no decree shall pass in the Baltimore or An-
napolis news-paper of filing such bill, and a summons
issues for the attorney general to appear and show cause,
if any, why such decree should not pass.

Auditor's office, January 23, 1787.

ABSTRACT of an ACT to extend the time for
bringing in and setting claims against the state,
passed the 20th January, 1787.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,
That all claims against this state, on account of
property confiscated, depreciation and pay of the army,
or otherwise, by any citizen thereof, or any citizen of
the United States, or their executors or administrators,
which have arisen before the time limited by law for
bringing them in, may be brought in, passed and set-
tled by the auditor-general, on or before the first day
of September, seventeen hundred and eighty seven,
and when passed and settled as aforesaid, shall be paid
by this state as by law directed, any thing in former
acts to the contrary notwithstanding; provided the
claimants, or their executors or administrators, make
appear, by their oaths or affirmation, or otherwise to
the satisfaction of the auditor-general, that for want
of sufficient notice, or from some unavoidable impe-
diment, they could not bring in their claims as aforesaid
within the time heretofore limited by law.

Provided always, and be it enacted, That no claim
against this state, on account of the property of the
debtor being confiscated, shall be passed, unless satis-
factory proof is given, that there are not debts due in
the county to the persons whose property has been
confiscated, to satisfy the claim exhibited against the
state, and that due industry has been used by the
claimant to discover debts subject to attachments, and
the proper means taken by him to secure his claim out
of such debts.

The general assembly having extended the time for
bringing in claims against the public, the auditor-general
gives notice, that the persons who apply for pay-
ment or depreciation of pay must, before they can receive it,
produce their discharges, or if they have lost or mislaid
them, good and sufficient vouchers of their being the
identical persons who served in the army by the names
they respectively call themselves, and those who admin-
ister as legal representatives of soldiers who actually
died in the service of the United States, must produce
authentic vouchers that they are relations and true
heirs of the deceased. And further, that no person
who is not entitled to receive pay or depreciation of
pay, either in person or as a representative of a soldier
deceased, will receive any answer as to what may be
due to either of them. And no person, or the repre-
sentative of a person who was not in service on the 10th
day of April, 1780, and afterwards regularly dis-
charged, or mustered dead after that time, or who had
not served two full years before that time, from and
after the first day of January, 1777, and was not regu-
larly discharged or mustered dead, need apply for
the pay or depreciation of pay aforesaid.

C. RICHMOND, auditor-general.

Bladensburg, February 13, 1787.
I HEREBY forewarn all persons from taking an
assignment on my bond to Joshua Wilson Selby, as
I am determined not to pay the same.

JOHN BEALL.

tation, or from halting the sein at any of the fishing
landings, as he is determined to take legal steps to
make those pay for it who shall be found trespassing
upon him in either way.

RALPH FORSTER.

NOTICE is hereby given, that H. Addison, of
the county of Prince-George, clerk, and his for-
propose to petition the honourable general assembly,
at their next session, touching certain confiscated prop-
erty of the said Addison.