

Whereas it appears to the Board on the Petition of John McLure, that at the Sale of the Principio Company's property on the 7th October 1783 a certain Archibald McAlister bid Seven pounds, five shillings per acre for lot No 27 containing 13172 Acres of Land, and that the same was struck off to him as the highest bidder, and that the Commissioners by the directions of the said McAlister charged the same to the said John McLure, and it appearing also that the said John McLure had not authorised the said A. McAlister to make the said purchase on his account, it is therefore ordered that the said John McLure be released from the said Purchase, and that he execute a Surrender of the same lot to the State.

Whereas it appears to the Board on the Petition of Priscilla Robey late widow of John B. Wathen that the said Wathen did on the 16th Day of October in the Year 1781 purchase [p. 138] of the State certain Lands lying in Zachariah Manor in Charles County as follows to wit the reversion of a lease granted to John Moreland on the 25th of January 1744 for 76 Acres of Land, also fourteen Acres of vacancy adjoining said lease, that the aforesaid 76 Acres were at the time of the purchase and still are, incumbered with the life of a certain Zachariah Moreland so that neither the Petitioners late Husband nor herself since his Death, have received one shilling for the same, And it further appearing that it would involve the Petitioner and her Children, and the surviving security in ruin to exact the payment for the said lands, the said Petitioner being very poor, It is therefore ordered that that said Priscilla Robey and the securities of her said Husband be hereby released from the said Purchase and that the said Property be received for the use of the State.

Thursday 25th. October 1792

The Council met.

Present Mr Brice
Mr Stone
Mr Davidson

Thomas Hart having refused to [p. 139] act as a Justice of the Orphans Court of Washington County—Hanson Briscoe was appointed, and

Commission issued to Alexander Clagett, Ignatius Taylor and Hanson Briscoe Justices of the Orphans Court of the County aforesaid.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Jacob Lampson Seventy three pounds, fifteen shillings Current Money to be by him paid over to Mess'rs Goddard and Angell Printers in Baltimore due them on Account passed by the Auditor General.

Friday 26th. October 1792

The Council met.

Present as on yesterday.

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to James Cheston Two hundred and seventy pounds Current Money recovered at October term instant from the State of Maryland by Mary Nicholson Administratrix with the Will annexed of Benjamin Nicholson for the use of the said James Cheston as per Account passed by the Auditor General.

Whereas it is represented by Stephen Steward of Ann Arundel County that he stands charged on the Books of the [p. 140] Commissioners for the sale of Confiscated property the sum of Four thousand three hundred and seventy six pounds, six shillings and three pence for the following Lots of Land part of the Nottingham Company's property viz