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APPENDIX.—RESOLUTIONS.

charging the debts incurred by the inspectors of the penitentiary in rebuilding the house, and repairing the injuries occasioned by the late fire which happened therein, which loans this state engages to repay within two years, with interest thereon.

No. 36.

Passed Feb 12 1818  
Relative to the  
public buildings.

**RESOLVED**, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to draw upon the treasurer of the western shore for a sum of money not exceeding nine thousand dollars, to be by them expended in repairing the public buildings at the seat of government, and in enclosing and improving the public circle in which the state house is situated.

No. 40.

Passed Feb 12 1818

**WHEREAS**, it is in the contemplation of the government of the United States to establish a naval depot at some place best fitted to answer the purposes of providing for the common defence and promoting the general welfare: And whereas the harbour of Annapolis is in all respects well adapted to answer those important views, by reason of its central position, and other weighty considerations, if it should be selected for that purpose, provided the navigation into the Severn river should be facilitated by the removal of a small and inconsiderable obstruction near the mouth of said river; therefore.

Relative to the  
naval depot.

**RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore, under the direction of the governor and council, pay to John Randall, Henry Maynadier, Jeremiah Hughes, Nicholas Brewer and Francis Hollingsworth, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars current money, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, to be applied to cutting a channel through an obstruction or bar at or near the mouth of Severn river, so as to render the ingress into said harbour of vessels of the largest class perfectly free from all difficulties; provided however, that before the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, or any part thereof, shall be paid to the said John Randall, Henry Maynadier, Jeremiah Hughes, Nicholas Brewer and Francis Hollingsworth, or either of them, they shall give their bond to the state of Maryland, in the penalty of fifty thousand dollars current money, with securities to be approved by the governor and council, binding themselves, and their said securities, their heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, that the said sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, and every part thereof, shall be faithfully and exclusively applied to the purpose aforesaid, which said bond shall be recorded in the office of the court of appeals for the western shore, and upon the same, or a certified copy thereof, a suit or suits may be instituted in the name and for the use of the state, if the said money, or any part thereof, shall be applied to any purpose or use other than that contemplated by this resolution: Provided always, that no money shall be paid under this resolution unless the governor and council shall be assured that the city of Annapolis, or some other place in its neighbourhood, will be the place fixed on for the naval depot.

No. 41.

Passed Feb 10 1818  
In favour of clerk  
of the council.

**RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorised to pay annually, in quarterly payments, to Ninian Pinkney, five hundred dollars, as an additional compensation for his services as clerk of the council.