

M A R Y L A N D, N O V E M B E R,

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or decline to appoint, his excellency John Jay, Esquire, minister from the United States of America to the court of Madrid, may, and he is hereby authorized and requested to appoint any one of the said persons as aforesaid.

XI. And be it enacted, That the interest accruing on any certificate issued in virtue of this act, shall be paid annually by the said treasurer, if required, and such certificate may be discounted out of any public assessment, and if any subject of this state shall, within or without this state, and if any person shall, within this state, forge or counterfeit any certificate issued in virtue of this act, or shall alter the sum expressed in any such certificate, or shall pass in payment any such counterfeit or altered certificate, knowing the same to be counterfeit or altered, and shall be thereof convicted in the general court of this state, or shall stand mute or peremptorily challenge above the number of twenty of the pannel, such person shall suffer death as a felon without benefit of clergy.

Interest to be paid annually, &c.

XII. And be it enacted, That every certificate, issued in pursuance of this act, shall be printed and struck in the following form, and with such devices and marks as the said commissioner may think will best prevent counterfeits, and shall be signed by him, and countersigned by his clerk.

Form of certificates.

The state of Maryland, ff.

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This certificate shall entitle the bearer to receive from the state of Maryland the sum of _____ current money, with interest annually, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, according to an act of assembly, entitled, An act for calling out of circulation certain bills of credit emitted by act of assembly.

Issued at the city of Annapolis, on the _____ day of _____ 1780.
Countersigned _____ clerk. _____ commissioner.

C H A P. XXXIX.

An ACT to encrease the allowance of witnesses and the fees of constables.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That each witness attending the general court shall be allowed eleven pounds five shillings for every day such witness shall attend, besides itinerant charges; that each witness attending the county and orphans courts shall be allowed five pounds per day, besides itinerant charges where they come from other counties; and that each constable shall be allowed one pound ten shillings for every warrant, and fifteen shillings for every summons by him served.

Allowance to witnesses, &c.

II. This act to continue until the end of the next session of assembly. Continuance.