

lor, and he is hereby authorized and directed, 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, agreeably 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 chancellor to execute a conveyance in fee-simple for the same, but no decree shall pass for a conveyance before sixty days notice by the party in the Baltimore or Annapolis news-paper of filing such bill, and a summons issues for the attorney-general to appear and shew cause, if any; why such decree should not pass.

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A Further supplement to the act concerning the stock of the bank of England belonging to this state.

Passed January 20.

WHEREAS Daniel Dulany, deceased, the eldest son and heir of Walter Dulany, deceased, for the debts of his father, by two several deeds, acknowledged and recorded in the then provincial court office, mortgaged the lands and estate therein mentioned to Osgood Hanbury, and company, for a very large sum of sterling money, which is yet unpaid, and the mortgaged premises have been since sold and disposed of by this state as confiscated British property;

Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That the agent of this state, appointed under the said act concerning the stock of the bank of England belonging to this state, shall and he is hereby empowered to assign, or otherwise dispose of, a sum not exceeding eleven thousand pounds of the capital of the said bank stock belonging to this state, the produce whereof to be applied to the account of the said debt, saving to this state any just claim of contribution on or by the lands given by this state to the daughters of the said Walter Dulany, or any of them.

Agent may assign part of the stock, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent may, with the approbation of the governor and council, compound, compromise, settle and agree, with the trustees of the said bank stock belonging to this state, or any other person or persons concerning the same, on such terms and conditions as the governor and council under all circumstances may think for the advantage of this state.

And compound with the trustees, &c.

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An ACT for the relief of the collectors of the tax for the years seventeen hundred and eighty-four, and seventeen hundred and eighty-five.

Passed January 20.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by the petitions of sundry collectors of the taxes for the years seventeen hundred and eighty-four, and seventeen hundred and eighty-five, that they could not complete their collections by reason of the shortness of the crops in the said years, and the arrearages that were due to their predecessors, and that suits have been commenced, and judgments obtained against them, and that they with their securities are liable to have executions issued against them, returnable to the general court at April and May terms next, which, if carried into effect, must inevitably ruin many of them, and their securities; and this general assembly being of opinion, that relief ought to be granted;

Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That the several collectors of the public taxes of this state for the years aforesaid be, and they are hereby allowed until the twentieth day of March next to pay to the treasurers of their respective shares the amount of the several balances for which they are now liable.

Further time allowed collectors, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the collectors aforesaid are hereby indemnified and secured harmless from all interest incurred by reason of their not having paid the amount of the assessment for the years aforesaid upon the days and times

Who are indemnified, &c.