

N O V E M B E R S E S S I O N, 1788.

adequate to the payment and discharge of the interest arisen and to arise on specie certificates issued by the state, that then the yearly supplies for defraying the expences of government should be appropriated to make up the deficiency: And whereas the interest received from the debtors of the state is greatly insufficient to pay the interest due on said certificates, and the justice and dignity of the state require, that provision should be made without further delay for the payment of the said interest; RESOLVED, That so much of the funds appropriated to the payment of the journal of accounts, the civil list, the allowance to the delegates to congress, and the payment of fifteen hundred pounds to Samuel Sterett, attorney for Messieurs Vanstaphorst, which shall remain after answering the said purposes, be applied to the discharge of the said orders, and payment of one year's interest on certificates, giving preference to the holders of such certificates on which no interest has been drawn, in case application is made to the treasurer on or before the first day of August next.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized to issue to Luther Martin, Esquire, on account, a certificate for six hundred and seventy-five pounds current money, being the amount of his account for fees, exhibited this session to the committee of claims, but not passed upon, the said certificate to be receivable in all state taxes; provided that the said Luther Martin, Esquire, lodge with the said treasurer, before the issuing of the said certificate, a copy of the said account.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized to issue to John Gwinn, Esquire, clerk of the general court for the western shore, on account, a certificate, payable in all state taxes, for such part of the account of the said John Gwinn for fees, as shall be certified by the committee of claims as proper to be allowed, provided that the said John Gwinn lodge with the treasurer as aforesaid, a copy of the articles so allowed by the committee of claims; and the treasurer of the western shore is hereby required to receive the accounts of the said officers, and to charge the amount of their fees against the debtors to this state, in the suits against whom respectively the said fees became incurred, and to compel the payment thereof, as well as the sums of money for which executions may issue on the judgments obtained against them.

RESOLVED, That three persons be appointed in each county in this state, to view and inspect the books, records and papers, in the several public offices in their respective counties; that they have free access to the same, and that they, or a majority of them, report the state and condition thereof to the next general assembly.

RESOLVED, That for the above purposes Messieurs Zachariah Forrest, Joseph Ford and Henry James Carroll, be appointed for St. Mary's county; Messieurs Thomas Smyth, William Sluby and Oliver Smith, be appointed for Kent county; Messieurs Nicholas Worthington, Allen Quynn and William Harwood, be appointed for Anne-Arundel county; Messieurs Joseph Wilkinson, William Allein and John Gantt, appointed for Calvert county; Messieurs Samuel Hanson, senior, Henry Henly Chapman and William Hanson M'Pherson, appointed for Charles county; Messieurs Samuel Johnson, attorney, William Goodwin and James Calhoun, appointed for Baltimore county; Messieurs William Perry, Howes Goldsborough and Henry Nicolls, for Talbot county; Messieurs Samuel Wilson, John Done and William Polk, be appointed for Somerset county; Messieurs Robert Harrison, James Shaw and John M'Dowell, be appointed for Dorchester county; Messieurs Joseph Gilpin, William Matthews and Tobias Rudolph, be appointed for Cecil county; Messieurs Stephen West, Samuel Hepburn and John Smith Brooks, be appointed for Prince-George's county; Messieurs Richard Tilghman, Robert Walters and William Richmond, be appointed for Queen-Anne's county; Messieurs William Morris, William Purnell (Crapper's Neck) and Peter Chaillie, junior, be appointed for Worcester county; Messieurs George Scott, John M'Pherson and John Riche, be appointed for Frederick county; Messieurs William Smithson, John Love and William Pinkney, be appointed for Harford county; Messieurs Philip Walker, John Brown and Henry Downes, be appointed for Caroline county; Messieurs John Barnes, Denton Jacques and
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