

XII. And be it enacted, That if the said William Campbell shall not accept his appointment, or if, after acceptance, he shall not give bond, and take the oath aforesaid, before the twentieth day of January next, or shall die, the governor and council are hereby authorized and required to appoint a fit and proper person in his place, who shall have and execute all the authorities and powers vested in the said William Campbell by this act, such person first giving bond, and taking the oath aforesaid.

C H A P. L.
How vacancy is to be filled.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the said agent be and he is hereby authorized and required to enforce the recovery of ten per cent. or any less interest, against any collector, or his securities, on the whole principal originally due from such collector, where it shall appear to him that the state will otherwise sink a part of the principal due from such collector.

Agent to enforce the recovery of interest, &c.

C H A P. LI.

An ACT for the payment of the journal of accounts.

Passed December 25. Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears by the journal of accounts of this session, that there is now due from this state the sum of six thousand nine hundred and fifteen pounds sixteen shillings and three-pence current money;

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the treasurer of the western shore shall and he is hereby authorized and required to pay the several persons, their executors, administrators, assigns or orders, or to such of them as shall offer to receive the same, the several sums of current money allowed to them respectively, as they appear to be settled and ascertained by the said journal of accounts, out of any money now in the treasury, or that shall come into the treasury, subject to the appropriation of the general assembly.

Treasurer to pay sums allowed on the journal, &c.

III. And be it enacted, That all or any of the public creditors on the journal, may have their election to receive a certificate or certificates from the treasurer of the western shore, signed by him, and expressing in the whole of such certificates the sum of current money due to such creditor or creditors respectively, which certificates shall be payable to the collectors of taxes due on any public assessment, or in the treasury for interest due, or composition on certificates, and any collector may pay any such certificates into the treasury as specie, without any oath concerning his receipt thereof; or, if any of the said certificates shall not be so discounted, the treasurer of the western or eastern shore shall receive the said certificates, and pay the money due thereon to the bearer, out of any money in the treasury, and subject to be appropriated by the general assembly; and the treasurer of the western shore shall, on the request of any person having an allowance on the said journal, and not taking a certificate as aforesaid, retain in his hands, of the money which shall first come into the treasury, subject as aforesaid, sufficient wherewith to satisfy such allowance, or the balance thereof, for which a certificate shall not have been given, and shall pay the same to the person to whom the same is due, or his order.

Creditors may receive certificates, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That the money now in the treasury, and appropriated to the erection of light-houses, be and it is hereby appropriated to the payment of the said journal of accounts.

Money appropriated, &c.

V. And be it enacted, That all money now in the treasury, subject to the discharge of any former journals of accounts, be and it is hereby appropriated to the payment of the journal of this session.

Money appropriated, &c.

VI. And be it enacted, That all money now in the treasury, appropriated by a resolution of the last session to the payment of the civil list and the interest on the funded debt, be and it is hereby appropriated to the payment of the journal of accounts of this session.

Money appropriated, &c.

VII. And be it enacted, That so much of the public money owing on duties up to the first of August last, as will be adequate to the purpose, be and it is

Public money substituted, &c.

hereby