

R E S O L U T I O N S .

Whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that a certain mulatto slave, called and known by the name of Peter White, who had for a considerable time been a general disturber of the peace and security of the good citizens of Queen-Anne's and other counties of this state, and whose outrages had excited such general terror as to induce the executive of this state to offer a considerable reward for apprehending him, was arrested in Caroline county, and at October term, eighteen hundred and one, was convicted in Caroline county court of a capital crime, for which he was afterwards executed pursuant to his sentence: And whereas the sum of seventy-five pounds current money, the valuation of the said slave, has been levied on Caroline county for the use of a certain Henry Carlton, of the state of Georgia, whose property he was at the time of his conviction; therefore **RESOLVED**, That the treasurer of the eastern shore pay to the order of the levy court of Caroline county the sum of seventy-five pounds current money, to be applied towards defraying the county charges of said county.

RESOLVED, That John Harwood, Joseph Martin, Thomas and Mary Dudley, Tristram Needles, Henry Johnson and William Dawson, be and they are hereby released from the payment of the nine per cent. with which they are chargeable as the sureties and representatives of sureties of Richard Johns, late sheriff of Talbot county, they having paid and satisfied the treasurer of the eastern shore the whole of the monies due from them, with six per cent. thereon.

RESOLVED, That all proceedings against James O'Bryan, executor of James O'Bryan, late of Queen-Anne's county, deceased, on judgments obtained against him in the general court for the eastern shore of Maryland at September term, eighteen hundred and one, as executor of the said James O'Bryan; and also as administrator of Thomas O'Bryan, deceased, for a balance due to the state of Maryland, be and they are hereby suspended until the sixteenth day of October, eighteen hundred and four, and also that he, the said James O'Bryan, be and he is hereby released from the payment of nine per cent. per annum of the fifteen per cent. interest chargeable on the principal of the balance due to the state, on condition only that he, the said James O'Bryan, shall punctually pay to the treasurer of the eastern shore, on or before the sixteenth day of October, eighteen hundred and three, one third of the principal of the said balance due to the state, with interest at six per cent. per annum, which shall then have accrued on the whole debt, together with all costs on all and every judgments or judgment which shall have been obtained against him for the balance due to the state as aforesaid, and the remaining two thirds of the said balance, with interest thereon at six per cent. on or before the sixteenth day of October, eighteen hundred and four; provided nevertheless, that the judgment aforesaid shall continue and be in full force, notwithstanding the suspension of proceedings directed by this resolution, and that if the said James O'Bryan shall fail in either of the said payments, he shall thereby forfeit the benefit of this resolution, and shall be liable to be proceeded against immediately for the whole of the said debt and costs, and the fifteen per cent. interest now payable thereon.

RESOLVED, That the judge of the land-office be and he is hereby authorised and empowered to examine, in a summary way, the circumstances of a public sale made of a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Harford county, called The Meadows, or Joshua's Meadows, by two of the executors of William Amos, deceased, and two trustees appointed by the orphans court of Harford county, which land was directed to be sold by the last will of the said William Amos for the payment of his debts, at which public sale a certain Charles Baker became the purchaser, who hath since conveyed to the said Thomas Amos, and if, on such examination, the judge of the land-office shall be of opinion that the said sale was fair, and not fraudulent, and not repugnant to the interest of a majority of the persons concerned, although made without sufficient legal authority, he is hereby authorised and empowered to order a patent to issue to the said Thomas Amos for said land, upon the composition money being paid by said Amos.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to cancel the bond given by Martha Howard, of Anne-Arundel county, to the state of Maryland, upon the said Martha Howard's paying to the state such sum of money, in addition to what has already been paid, as will amount to the sum of £. 333 15 9, the principal originally due; provided, that if the said payment shall not be made on or before the 1st day of January, in the year 1804, then the said bond to remain in full force.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore pay to Philip Reed, of Kent county, or order, the sum of fifty pounds five shillings and one penny.

RESOLVED, That after judgments are obtained on the bonds passed by James B. Sulivane, and his securities, to the state, for the purchase money of lots number fourteen and fifteen of the Choptank Indian lands, in Dorchester county, all further proceedings be suspended until the first day of March, eighteen hundred and four.

Whereas it appears that John Sterrett, and others, were possessors of a tract of land in Cecil county, called The Widow's Lot, within the lines of New Connaught Manor, and that as possessors they were entitled to the pre-emption;