

N E G A T I V E.

Messieurs	Key,	Ridgely of Wm.	Shaw,	Digges,	Beatty,	Hardcastle,
	Graves,	Harris,	G. Scott,	Johnson,	Carey,	M'Mechen,
	Carroll,	Hindman,	Steel,	Chase,	Norris,	Stall,
	Fraizer,	Roberts,	Miller,	Quynn,	Love,	Cellars,
	Ware,	Gibson,	Bravard,	Townshend,	Bond,	Swingle,
	Dent,	John Dashiell,	Job,	Chaille,	Wheeler,	Cramphis.
	Hanson,	Elzey,	Gantt,	Joseph Dashiell,		

So it was determined in the negative.

The question was then put, That strict justice and sound policy require, that this state ought, on all occasions, most inviolably and religiously to preserve its plighted faith and honour, and therefore that the legislature ought to use every means in its ability and power to comply with its engagements to its creditors, without any discrimination, preference or deduction, and to provide sufficient funds to secure the payment of all debts due from the public, within such reasonable time as the circumstances of the people will admit; and that if possible part of the principal ought to be gradually discharged, and at all events the interest annually paid? The yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Oneale appeared as follow:

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	Cadwalader,	Hanson,	Miller,	Johnson,	Joseph Dashiell,	M'Mechen;
	Graves,	Hindman,	Bravard,	Chase,	Beatty,	Stall,
	Fraizer,	John Dashiell,	Job,	Quynn,	Norris,	Cellars,
	Ridgely of Wm.	Elzey,	Oglevee,	Townshend,	Love,	Swingle.
	Ware,					

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Messrs.	N. Worthington,	Harris,	G. Scott,	Carey,	Bond,	Cramphin,
	Carroll,	Roberts,	Sency,	Shriver,	Hardcastle,	Oneale.
	Hanson,					

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

William Perry, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following message:

BY THE SENATE, DECEMBER 18, 1784.

GENTLEMEN,

WE request that any estimate of expences or account of fees paid, or agreed to be paid, by the agent, to solicitors or counsel, in the suit or suits depending in the court of chancery of England, relating to the bank stock, laid before your house, may be communicated to the senate.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

George Gale, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill to empower Samuel Trehern, Samuel Killern, Ezekiel Langford and Ephraim Adams, or any three of them; to sell and dispose of part of the real estate of John Long, deceased, endorsed; "By the senate, December 11, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 18, 1784: Read the second time and will not pass.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

The bill for the sale of the glebe land of Saint Mary Anne's parish in Cecil county, endorsed;

"By the senate, December 13, 1784: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

"By the senate, December 18, 1784: Read the second time and will pass with the proposed amendments.

"By order, J. DORSEY, clk."

Amendments proposed. In the second page, after the word "upon" in the second line, insert "bond with." After the word "security" in the same line, insert "taken in the name of the said vestrymen and churchwardens, in trust, for the use and benefit of the said parish." After the word "the est" in the fourth line same page, insert "in trust as aforesaid, and to be by them accounted for."

The following report:

Intendant's office, December 17, 1784.

To the honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE intendant of the revenue having examined the contract made by Matthew Ridley, Esq; on behalf of the state of Maryland, with Messieurs Vanstaphorfts, and having also perused the letters, accounts, and papers, relative to this transaction, begs leave to report,

That it appears by the aforesaid agreement No. 1, That Messieurs Vanstaphorfts obliged themselves to furnish Mr. Ridley with three hundred thousand guilders, or so much more as might be received by them by the first of January 1783 at farthest. That to the first of February 1783, they had only furnished Mr. Ridley with 111,663 guilders 12 stivers and 8 doits; that in all that month they advanced 8,333 guilders 16 stivers, in March 35,511 guilders 8 stivers, in April 17,600 guilders 1 stiver, in May 22,040 guilders 13 stivers, in June 9,529 guilders 6 stivers, in July 34,433 guilders 1 stiver, and in August 11,908 guilders 13 stivers, making in the whole to the 21st of said month 250,420 guilders 3 stivers, the interest thereon to the first of September 1783, 7,108 guilders 7 stivers, with commission and brokerage, as charged by Messieurs