

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

security as the governor and council may think proper, to return the said arms in good order whenever it shall be required.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore do and he is hereby authorized to release Henry Ennalls, of Dorchester county, from the payment of fifty-one pounds four shillings, being the amount of the improvements found on a piece of vacant land taken up by him, adjoining a tract of land called Muir's Good Luck, lying and being in Dorchester county.

RESOLVED, That a committee be appointed in the town of Baltimore, who shall have power to draw on the treasurer of the western shore weekly, from the first day of December next, for the sum of five hundred dollars, until the second day of February, for the subsistence of the distressed French citizens now in this state, from Sairt-Domingo: Provided, that if the congress of the United States shall meet, and make provision for those unfortunate sufferers, before that period, then the power of the said committee to draw on the said treasurer shall cease.

RESOLVED, That William Patterson, Gustavus Scott and Samuel Sterett, be a committee for the purposes mentioned in the foregoing resolution.

RESOLVED, That the proclamation lately issued by the governor, during the existence of a malignant contagious fever in the city of Philadelphia, be and is hereby approved, as being the result of a prudent and watchful attention to the safety of the people of this state, and not only justified by circumstances, but indispensably requisite for protecting our citizens from a dreadful calamity, with which they were threatened.

RESOLVED, That it is the decided sense of this general assembly, that the true interest of this country will be best promoted by observing an impartial neutrality in the present war among the powers of Europe, consistent with the existing treaties of the United States; that the proclamation of the president of the United States, of the twenty-second of April last, was wisely calculated to preserve this neutrality; and that the interference of any foreign power with the internal politics and government of this country, is unjustifiable and dangerous.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore credit the bond of Benjamin Cawood with such sum as shall appear to him to be due to said Cawood from the state, for taxes and assessments on the property belonging to the state, and to allow said Cawood interest on the same.

RESOLVED, That no suit shall be commenced, nor execution shall issue, against Benjamin Cawood, and his securities, of Charles county, on their bond to the state, passed 30th day of July, 1790, for the third payment, until the first day of December, 1794.

RESOLVED, That upon application of the said Joseph Forman to the treasurer of the western shore, he shall be authorized, and is hereby directed, to pay to him, out of any unappropriated monies, the sum of eighteen pounds and nine-pence, the amount of the judgment obtained against him, with interest from the 27th of September, 1783, the time when it appears the said Joseph Forman paid to the deputy of the state's commissary fifty-three bushels of wheat, then equal in value to eighteen pounds and nine-pence, and for which he has never had credit with the state.

RESOLVED, That the attorney-general be and he is hereby declared to suspend and discharge all process and executions against John Wilkins, and Leah Wilkins, administratrix of Samuel Wilkins, late of Somerset county, deceased, which are now depending in any court of law in this state, on account of the purchase money of a certain negro, sold by the late intendant of the revenue to the aforesaid John Wilkins and Samuel Wilkins, and for which purchase money the said John Wilkins and Samuel Wilkins passed their bond to the state on the eighth day of April, seventeen hundred and eighty-five; and that the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed to deliver up the said bond to the said John Wilkins.

RESOLVED, That no execution shall issue on the judgment obtained by the state of Maryland against Patrick Hamilton, Basil Williams and John Crookshanks, any or either of them, until the first day of October, seventeen hundred and ninety-four; provided, that the said Basil Williams, on or before the first day of March next, by writing, under hand and seal, authorize and empower the state agent, immediately thereafter, to sell and dispose of three hundred and fifteen acres of land in Cæcil county, called Lum's Lot and Stoney Range, for the use and benefit of the state, to be sold for cash or credit, at the election of the agent, so as best to secure and promote the interest of the state and the petitioners; and provided also, that the said petitioners, or one of them, cause to be assigned to the state, as a collateral security for their debt, on or before the first day of March next, a bond now in suit in the general court of the eastern shore, passed by Turbutt Wright, Solomon Wright and Clement Sewall, on the thirtieth of November, seventeen hundred and seventy-one, to Patrick Hamilton, in the penalty of three thousand pounds current money, to be applied, when recovered and received, to the payment of so much of their debt to the state of Maryland.

WHEREAS it appears to this general assembly, that Joseph Dawson, late a soldier in the fifth Maryland regiment, is entitled to a lot of land, but as he cannot now obtain the same, the surplus lots, after supplying the army, having been sold; RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay unto Joseph Dawson the sum of nine pounds seven shillings and six-pence, in lieu of the lot of land to which he is entitled.

WHEREAS John Hall, Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, James Brice, William Hall, the 3d, and Charles Wallace, are appointed commissioners by law for the purpose of building a gaol in Anne-Arundel county, and a meeting of the said commissioners cannot be readily and frequently had, so as to carry on and complete the business of the said building, on account of the indisposition of two of the said commissioners, and the distant residence of another, RESOLVED, That John Randall and James Mackubin, of the city of Annapolis, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of building