

teen hundred and twenty four, the remaining half with the interest and any additional costs that may accrue, on or before the first day of October, eighteen hundred and twenty five, the one half of the second judgment with all the interest and costs, on or before the first day of October, eighteen hundred and twenty six, and the remaining half with interest and any additional costs that may accrue on or before the first day of October, eighteen hundred and twenty seven; *Provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to release the right of the state to any property, real or personal, which has been already taken in execution as the property of the said Thomas Harwood, of Benj. and if the first payment is not punctually made at or before the time specified, this resolution shall then be considered null and void.

No. 30.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be, and he is hereby authorised to credit the bond executed by Thompson Randolph, with Thomas Rutter, his security, to the state of Maryland, with the composition money paid by Lewis Miller for the same land for which the said bond was given, on a statement of the sum paid, with a certificate of the treasurer of the eastern shore annexed, being filed in the treasury office.

No. 31.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore, pay to John Quynn, door-keeper to the house of delegates, the sum of sixty dollars, to Andrew Slicer, messenger to the senate, the sum of sixty dollars, for taking care of the furniture of their respective rooms, during the recess of the legislature.

No. 32.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of William Gist, of Dorchester county, have considered the same, and make the following report—The petitioner states that he is now a debtor to the state of Maryland, on judgment for the purchase money of certain Choptank Indian lands, in Dorchester county, and that he has recently sold the said land upon a credit, and is now unable to pay and satisfy the said judgment, but will be able to do so when the credit expires which he has given the purchaser. *And whereas*, several other purchasers of the adjoining lands are in a similar situation, and it is reasonable that some indulgence should be extended to the said petitioner and others in the same situation. Be it therefore

Resolved, That all proceedings on the said judgments shall be suspended until the first day of December, eighteen hundred and twenty five, *Provided*, That each of the said defendants shall pay to the treasurer or agent of the eastern shore the one third part of the said judgments in the manner following, that is to say, the one third part of the principal and all the interest and costs due thereon, on or before the first day of December, eighteen hundred and twenty three, the like sum of principal and all the interest due on the remainder of the principal on the first day of December, eighteen hundred and twenty four, and the remaining part of said principal with all interest and cost due thereon, on the first day of December, eighteen hundred and twenty five, and if either of the parties shall neglect to pay the proportion or installments so as aforesaid directed to be paid by him, then execution shall and may forthwith be issued on the judgment or judgments against the party or parties so neglecting to pay as aforesaid, in the same manner as if this resolution had not passed, *Provided also*, that nothing in this resolution contained shall prevent the state from recovering any part of the said debt from any of the said parties, if either of the defendants shall become unable or neglect to pay the part or installment so as aforesaid ordered to be paid by them respectively.

No. 33.

Whereas, It is a matter of most interesting importance to the people of this state, that a water communication should be opened between the city of Baltimore and the Potomac river, in such manner as to constitute a branch to the projected canal between Cumberland and George-Town; and that such communication should be made at the most convenient point, above or below the river Monocacy; Therefore,

Resolved, That the governor and council be directed to issue a commission to three persons of skill and integrity, to survey, locate and lay out the route of a canal from the city of Baltimore to the Potomac river, at the mouth of the Monocacy, or at any other point adjacent thereto, not going further up the river than Harper's Ferry; selecting such route as shall in their judgment be most practicable and the least expensive in the construction of a canal.

Further Resolved, That the governor and council be authorised and directed to employ the most skilful engineer they can obtain, to accompany the said commissioners in the performance of the duties required by these resolutions.

Further Resolved, That the commissioners and engineer appointed in virtue of these resolutions, report to the executive as soon as they shall have completed their work, all the particulars of their survey and location, with proper plats of the same, and as full and accurate estimate as they may be enabled to make

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Thompson Randolph to be credited.

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Compensation to officers.

Passed Feb. 21, 1823.

Wm. Gist & others purchasers of Indian lands.

Proceedings against suspended.

Passed Feb. 19, 1823.

Survey a route for canal from Potomac river to Baltimore.