

| Probable appropriations of 1798 on the above income. | |
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| Salary to governor, | 1000 0 0 |
| Ditto to five counsellors, | 1000 0 0 |
| Ditto to clerk of council, | 250 0 0 |
| Ditto to messenger of governor and council, | 75 0 0 |
| Ditto to treasurer of western shore, | 650 0 0 |
| Ditto to treasurer of eastern shore, | 164 0 0 |
| Ditto to auditor-general, | 250 0 0 |
| Ditto to printer of the state, | 500 0 0 |
| Ditto to clerk of house of delegates, | 100 0 0 |
| Ditto to clerk of the senate, | 50 0 0 |
| Ditto to chancellor, | 1025 0 0 |
| Ditto to chief judge of general court, | 675 0 0 |
| Ditto to two other judges of ditto, | 1150 0 0 |
| Ditto to judges of court of appeals, | 600 0 0 |
| Ditto to adjutant-general, | 200 0 0 |
| Ditto to trustee of state, | 75 0 0 |
| Ditto to armourer and expences of armourer, | 475 0 0 |
| Half pay list, | 1197 15 0 |
| Money for which executive may draw, | 500 0 0 |
| Donation to colleges, | 3000 0 0 |
| Pay to jurors of general court, | 2500 0 0 |
| Journal of accounts of next session, say, | 9000 0 0 |
| | £. 24436 15 0 |
| | £. 13613 5 0 |

The committee further report, that under the resolution of last session of assembly a considerable part of the debt due by the state has been paid off, viz. For emissions of June, 1780, ———, and to holders of certificates the sum of £. 7841 2 11. And as the state possesses the means of discharging its just debts, the propriety of a further extension of the time for creditors to come forward strikes this committee in a forcible point of view, because an honourable fulfilment of our engagements is calculated in an hour of future exigency, to inspire a just confidence in the administration of our government; and the committee, under this impression, report the following resolutions, as proper to carry their ideas into effect.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized to pay off and discharge the principal and interest due on all certificates heretofore issued by the state of Maryland, other than those distinguished as fraudulent ones, provided the same are brought into the treasury for payment on or before the 1st day of July, 1798.

RESOLVED, That all holders of certificates heretofore issued, and funded by the state of Maryland, bring the same to the treasury of the western shore for payment of principal and interest on or before the first day of July next; and that no interest on any certificates heretofore issued, which shall accrue after the said 1st day of July, 1798, shall be paid thereafter, nor the principal sum until after the end of the next session of assembly.

RESOLVED, That such part of the five months pay due to the officers and foldiers of the Maryland line, and due for services on board the barges, as shall not be demanded of the treasurer of the western shore on or before the 1st day of July, 1798, be not paid to any person or persons demanding any part of the same thereafter, but be subject to such appropriation as shall hereafter be declared.

RESOLVED, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby authorized to pay off and discharge the amount of principal and interest of such bills of credit of the emission under the act of June, 1780, as may be produced and brought into the treasury on or before the 1st day of July next.

RESOLVED, That if the holders of bills of credit emitted in virtue of the act of June session, 1780, do not bring the same into the treasury of the western shore for payment on or before the first day of July, 1798, that all interest from that time cease thereon, and the principal not to be paid until after the end of the next session of assembly.

The committee further report, that in their opinion an agent is necessary to protect and superintend the collection of the funds annually accruing, and the debts due to the state, and it is with satisfaction they add, that the salary of the agent has, for the two last years, been greatly more than covered by the profits made on the purchase of stock, and consequently in no degree felt proportioned to the benefits resulting from a proper discharge of the duties of the office; and they report, that in their opinion leave should be given to bring in a bill to appoint an agent for the year 1798.

By order,

R. K. WATTS, clk.

Which was read.

ORDERED, That the printer to the state strike one hundred copies for the use of the general assembly.

A petition from Meeker, Cockran, and company, counter to the petition of John Fendall Beall, was preferred, read, and referred to the committee on the petition to which it is counter.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Dorchester county, respecting a road from the town of Easton, in Talbot county, to Choptank river, opposite to Cambridge, to a place commonly known by the name of Akers's ferry, was preferred and read.

The report on the petition of sundry inhabitants of Dorchester county was read the second time, concurred with, and leave given to bring in a bill pursuant thereto. ORDERED, That Mr. Kerr, Mr. Goldborough and Mr. Angier, be a committee to prepare and bring in the same.

Mr. Tans,