

CHAPTER XCVI.

AN ACT

To amend and continue "An act for establishing a Health Office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases," and the supplements thereto.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the act, entitled "An act for establishing a Health Office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases," passed on the seventeenth day of March, eighteen hundred and six, together with the supplements thereto, passed on the thirty first day of March, eighteen hundred and twelve, and the twenty-fifth day of March, eighteen hundred and thirteen, (except so much of the said act and its supplements as is hereinafter altered and supplied,) be, and the same are hereby continued in force for three years from and after the twenty-fifth day of March next.

Part of former acts repealed.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That any vessel, of the burthen of one hundred and fifty tons and upwards, arriving at the Lazaretto from any foreign port, or coastwise, may come to in the outer channel, as near to the west end of the island of Little Tinicum, opposite the Lazaretto, as her draft of water, wind and weather will permit, for the purpose of receiving the visit from the Lazaretto physician and quarantine master; and if the said vessel does not receive her visit in the inner channel, she shall pay an additional sum of five dollars, of which two dollars shall be paid to the Lazaretto physician, and one dollar to the quarantine master, as a compensation for their extraordinary services, and two dollars shall be paid into the treasury of the board.

Vessels of certain tonnage may come to in the outer channel.

Pay an additional sum if not visited in the inner channel. To whom paid.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That a letter mail shall, during the quarantine season, leave the Lazaretto, for the Health Office in the city of Philadelphia, and return, twice in each juridical day, at such hours as the board of health shall determine, and shall be free for the transmission of letters to and from persons who may be within the bounds of the Lazaretto, or on board of vessels which may be detained there; and it shall be the duty of the health officer, immediately after the arrival of the Lazaretto mail, to deposit in the post office the letters received thereby, excepting those which shall be addressed to the board of health and the officers connected therewith.

Mail to pass twice a day from the Lazaretto to Philadelphia.

Duty of health officer

SECT. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the fifth section of the act to which this is a supplement, be so far amended as that if satisfactory proof be given, that goods or merchandise, the growth or produce of

Goods of foreign production, after being landed

20 days, ves- any foreign place or country, which shall arrive at the Laza-
sel not liable retto coastwise, have been landed at any port or place within
to detention. the United States for more than twenty days, and are free
from damage, that the vessel bringing the same shall not be
liable to detention therefor.

Board may vest their surplus funds in funded debt of U. S. and may transfer the stock if necessary.

SECT. 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the said board of health, and they are hereby authorised to invest all sums of money which may at any time be in the hands of their treasurer, over and above the amount which may be necessary to meet their current expenses, in the funded debt of the United States, and to sell and transfer the stock of the same, at such times and in such portions as necessity may require.

Board to consist of eleven members, to serve without compensation.

SECT. 6. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the number of the members of the board of health shall be increased to eleven, who shall serve without compensation or emolument; and shall be appointed in the manner following, to wit: The select and common councils of the city of Philadelphia, in a joint meeting, to be held on the afternoon of the second Monday in March annually, between the hours of two and six o'clock, shall elect, by ballot, six citizens, who shall be taxable inhabitants of the said city; and the commissioners of the township of the Northern Liberties, and the commissioners of Spring Garden, shall annually, on the same day, and between the same hours, elect, by ballot, three citizens, who shall be taxable inhabitants of the said township; and the commissioners of the district of Southwark and the commissioners of Moyamensing, shall annually, on the same day, and between the same hours, elect, by ballot, two citizens, who shall be taxable inhabitants of the said districts, who shall constitute a Board of Health, of which a majority shall be a quorum, and be invested with all the estate, rights and corporate powers which are defined in the act and supplements to which this act is supplementary: *Provided,* That in case the appointments hereby directed to be made, should not take place on the day specified, they may be made on any other subsequent day prior to the third Monday in March, between the same hours: *And provided,* That the number of years for which an individual may be eligible as a member of the board of health, shall not be limited: *And provided,* That in case of the removal, death, sickness, resignation, inability or refusal to serve, of any of the said board, their place shall be supplied by other appointments to be made by the same authority which appointed the individuals, by whose delinquency the vacancies shall have been occasioned.

How appointed.

Who eligible

Majority of the board to constitute a quorum.

Proviso. When first appointment may be made.

2d proviso.

How long members eligible.

3d proviso.

To fill vacancies.

REES HILL, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

I DO CERTIFY, that the bill, entitled "An act to amend and continue 'An act for establishing a Health Office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases,' and the supplements thereto," which has been disapproved by the Governor, and returned with his objections to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, was agreed to by two-thirds of the House of Representatives, on the twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, and that the foregoing is the act, so agreed to by the said House.

REES HILL,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ATTEST,

SAML. D. FRANKS, Clerk of the
House of Representatives.

I DO CERTIFY, that the bill, entitled "An act to amend and continue 'An act for establishing a Health Office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases,' and the supplements thereto," which has been disapproved by the Governor, and returned with his objections to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, was approved by two-thirds of the Senate, agreeably to the constitution, on the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, and that the foregoing is the act, so approved by the Senate.

ISAAC WEAVER,

Speaker of the Senate.

ATTEST,

JOSEPH A. M'JIMSEY,
Clerk of the Senate.

CHAPTER XCVII.

AN ACT

Authorising the Governor to appoint commissioners for the purpose of laying out a road from the borough of Bedford, through the borough of Indiana, to the town of Franklin.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the Governor be, and he is hereby authorised to appoint three commissioners to lay out and mark a road, be-