

then the said tolls shall be so reduced as will reduce the said dividend to fifteen per centum per annum.

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

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CXXVI.

AN ACT

For the relief of Frederick Shriver, William Hamson, Elizabeth M'Cullough and Atcheson Mellon.

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 state treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Frederick Shriver, or his order, of Lancaster county, forty dollars immediately, and forty dollars annually during his life, to be paid half yearly, to commence the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Frederick Shriver, gratuity and annuity.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the state treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to William Hamson, of Lebanon county, or order, forty dollars immediately, and forty dollars annually during his life, to be paid half yearly, to commence the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen. Wm. Hamson, gratuity and annuity.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the state treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to Elizabeth M'Cullough, or order, widow of Robert M'Cullough, a soldier in the revolutionary war, forty dollars as a gratuity. Elizabeth M'Cullough, gratuity.

SECT. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the state treasurer be, and he is hereby authorised to pay to James Collins, of Lycoming county, for the use of Atcheson Mellon, the annuity granted to said Atcheson Mellon by the second section of an act of Assembly, passed the first of March, eighteen hundred and eleven, to be expended agreeably to the provisions of said section, and so much of Atcheson Mellon annuity.

said section as is hereby altered and supplied be, and the same is hereby repealed.

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

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER:

CHAPTER CXXVII.

AN ACT

Authorising the recovery of money in the hands of certain commissioners.

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 purchaser or purchasers, their heirs, executors or administrators, of any lands sold at commissioner's sales for taxes, previous to the year one thousand eight hundred, within this Commonwealth, be authorised to demand and receive any sum or sums of money which may have been by them paid to any commissioner or commissioners of any county, beyond the amount of the taxes and costs for which such lands were sold, and which hath not been paid by them to the real owner of such lands, or into the county treasury; and if upon demand of any such purchaser or purchasers, their heirs, executors or administrators, any such commissioner or commissioners shall refuse or neglect to pay such sum, the same may be recovered as other sums of the same amount are by law recoverable: Provided, That before any suit shall be commenced for the same, a bond of indemnity, with sufficient sureties to any such commissioner or commissioners, duly executed, shall be tendered, and a release of all interest in or title to any such lands under said sales, be duly executed by such purchaser or purchasers, or by their executors or administrators, who are hereby authorised and empowered to*