

vided in the act authorizing the laying out said road, passed at the last session of the legislature, agreeably to which return the said road shall be opened.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER IV.

The auditor general and state treasurer to lay before the legislature a statement of certain balances.

RESOLVED, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, That the auditor general and treasurer lay before the legislature, in the first week of their next session, a statement of the balances due to the commonwealth, on accounts settled by the accountant department, particularizing the names of the party and the date of settlement, the time when legal proceedings (if any, where taken) commenced for the recovery of the same, or were directed to be commenced; and generally such information as will exhibit the actual situation of the said balances.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER V.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS the legislature of Massachusetts has proposed as an amendment to the constitution of the United States, the following article, viz.—“No law shall be enacted for laying an embargo, or for prohibiting or suspending commerce, for a longer period than until the expiration of thirty days from the commencement of the session of Congress next succeeding that session in which such law shall have been enacted,” and the same has been transmitted to the legislature of Pennsylvania, and by them duly considered: And because it appears that embargoes or other commercial restrictions, in order to be of any use, either to prevent supplies going to an enemy, or to protect our own commerce and seamen, must continue while the reasons and the necessity for laying them continue, and their duration cannot well become an object of constitutional provision, any more than the time at which they shall be laid; because both must depend upon the course of events, and be entrusted to the discretion of the legislature of the union: And because this discretion appears no more

liable to abuse than any other of the necessary powers of government : Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That it is inexpedient to concur in the resolution of the legislature of Massachusetts, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States. A resolution of the legislature of Massachusetts non-concurred.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to each of the senators and representatives of this state in Congress, and to the executive of each state in the union, with a request that the same be laid before the legislature thereof. The governor to transmit copies of this resolution, &c.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

SIMON SNYDER.

In the House of Representatives March 12th, 1810, read a second time, and unanimously adopted ; and ordered, that the clerk present the same to senate, for concurrence.

JAS. THACKARA, *Clerk*
of the House of Representatives.

In senate March 13th, 1810, read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

In senate March 16th, 1810, read the second time, and unanimously adopted.

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

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CHAPTER VI.

RESOLVED, *by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That* it shall be the duty of the secretary of the commonwealth, to forward to the prothonotaries of the several counties in this state, a copy of the laws passed during the present session, to each of the members now representing such counties in the legislature, with the names of such members written on the title page of their copies respectively; and it shall be the duty of the prothonotaries to deliver said copies to such members as soon as they shall be applied for, after such prothonotary has received the same: *Provided always,* That such members shall not be entitled to receive another copy at the next session of the legislature. Copies of the laws to be sent to the members, &c. Name of each member to be written in the title page. Duty of the prothonotaries. Provide.

JOHN WEBER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ten.

SIMON SNYDER.