

vest in the commonwealth all the rights, estates and emoluments appertaining to a share or shares held by individual stockholders, and as often as a dividend shall be declared by the directors of said companies, or either of them, the proportion thereof due to the state shall be paid into the treasury of the commonwealth, Stock to be vested in the commonwealth.

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

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER XCIV.

An ACT to provide for the erection of two arsenals.

SECT. I. *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 Arsenal to be there shall be erected on the lot of ground belonging to the commonwealth in the county of Dauphin, a substantial brick arsenal, and a substantial brick arsenal at Meadville, in the county of Crawford, both to be covered with slate or tile. erected at Harrisburg and Meadville.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That each of the said arsenals shall be of such dimensions as to admit of the convenient storage of any number not exceeding ten pieces of artillery, with the necessary apparatus thereto belonging, ten thousand muskets or rifles, sixteen hundred tents, ten thousand knapsacks, ten thousand cartouch boxes, sixteen hundred camp kettles, sixteen hundred mess-pans, and also to contain a fire-proof apartment with space sufficient for two persons to work in repairing or making arms. Dimensions of the building.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That as soon as conveniently may be, after the passage of this act, the governor is hereby required to determine upon the size and dimensions of the said arsenals, and to cause a notice to be published in one or more newspapers printed in the borough of Harrisburg, and in one or more newspapers published at Pittsburg, Mercer and Meadville, calling for proposals for building said arsenals, and as soon as the said proposals shall have been received, the governor shall contract with such person or persons as in his judgment will complete the work in the most substantial manner and on the most advantageous terms, and shall take sufficient security for the faithful performance of the contract. Governor to advertise for proposals, and make contracts.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That as soon as the arsenals shall be finished, the governor shall direct the adjutant general to have such part of the public

Public property to be deposited in the arsenals, armorer to be appointed, arms to be repaired, &c.

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property as he may deem proper, to be deposited therein, and shall appoint an armorer or competent person to take charge of each of the same, and shall also appoint an armorer or competent person to take charge of the state arsenal in the city of Philadelphia, immediately after the passing of this act, whose duties respectively it shall be to receive, take charge of, and to put or cause to be put and kept in good repair, all arms and equipments, or other public property ordered to be stored therein; and the said armorers, respectively, shall annually, in the month of December; make report to the legislature and to the governor at all times when by him required, of the number and condition of all the arms and military stores entrusted to his care, and of such as may have been given out by order of the governor; and the said armorers respectively, shall give sufficient security to the governor for the use of the commonwealth, in the amount of ten thousand dollars, for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, and shall receive for his services a compensation of thirty dollars per month: *Provided*, That this section shall not be so construed, as to authorise or direct the governor to remove from the bounds of the respective brigades within this commonwealth, such muskets or rifles as he shall think proper to leave in the care of the several brigade inspectors for the use of volunteer companies within their respective brigades.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That all claims and demands arising from expenses incurred on appropriations under this act, after having been approved by the accountant officers, shall be paid by the state treasurer in the usual manner.

SECT. VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes herein mentioned.

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

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER XCV.

A SUPPLEMENT to an act, entitled "An act to authorise the governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the west branch of the river Susquehanna, from the east end of Market street in the town of Lewisburg, in the county of Union, to the opposite shore."

SECT. I. *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*