

[No. 155.]

AN ACT

To reduce the expenses of Government.

- Executive** **SECTION 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 from and after the third Tuesday of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, the salary of the executive of this commonwealth shall be three thousand dollars per annum, payable quarterly at the office of the state treasurer.
- Judges of supreme court** **SECTION 2.** The salary of the chief justice of the supreme court shall be eighteen hundred dollars; and the salaries of the associate justices of the said court shall be sixteen hundred dollars each; and the said judges shall also be entitled to receive, in addition to their respective salaries, three dollars per day whilst on the circuit, and necessarily employed in holding courts, or in travelling to and from the same, to their places of residence, as a full allowance for travelling expenses: *Provided,* That this section shall only be construed to extend to those who may hereafter be appointed.
- Proviso** **SECTION 3.** The salary of the associate judges of the courts of this commonwealth, shall be one hundred and twenty dollars per annum.
- Auditor gen** **SECTION 4.** From and after the tenth day of May next ensuing the passage of this act, the salary of the auditor general shall be fourteen hundred dollars; the salary of the state treasurer shall be fourteen hundred dollars; the salary of the adjutant general shall be three hundred dollars; and the salary of the secretary of the commonwealth shall be twelve hundred dollars, who shall also be entitled to receive the further sum of five hundred dollars for his services as superintendent of common schools: *Provided,* That the salaries of the afore-said officers shall be payable quarterly at the treasury of the commonwealth.
- State Treasurer**
- Adjutant gen**
- Secretary of commonw'th**
- Proviso**
- Secretary of land office** **SECTION 5.** From and after the first day of October next, the office of secretary of the land office shall cease, determine and be abolished, and all the duties heretofore done and performed by the secretary of the land office, shall be done and performed by the surveyor general; and all the books, papers and records belonging to the office of the secretary of the
- Surveyor gen**

land office shall, from and after the said first day of October next, be placed in the custody and possession of the surveyor general; and all certificates and other papers heretofore authenticated under existing laws by the seal of the office of the secretary of the land office shall, from and after the said first day of October next, be sealed with the seal of the office of the surveyor general: *Provided*, That the state treasurer shall constitute one of the board of property in the room of the secretary of the land office, which is hereby abolished: *And provided further*, That the salary of the surveyor general shall, from and after the tenth day of May next, be twelve hundred dollars, payable quarterly at the treasury. Proviso
Salary

SECTION 6. That from and after the tenth day of May next ensuing the passage of this act, the amount of clerk hire in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth shall not exceed the sum of four thousand dollars per annum, including the salary of the deputy secretary of the commonwealth; the clerk hire in the state treasurer's office shall not exceed the sum of three thousand two hundred dollars per annum; the clerk hire in the auditor general's office shall not exceed the sum of four thousand five hundred dollars per annum; the clerk hire in the surveyor general's office, from and after the first day of October next, shall not exceed the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum, and from and after the tenth day of May, and until the first day of October next, the clerk hire shall not exceed the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum; and the clerk hire in the office of the secretary of the land office shall not exceed the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars, up to the first day of October next, at which time said office, by the provisions of this act, will be abolished. Clerk hire in
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SECTION 7. That after the adjournment of the present legislature, the clerk of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives shall each be entitled to receive a per diem allowance of three dollars per day, during the sessions of the legislature, and a salary of two hundred dollars, as a full compensation for their services; and the said clerks shall be allowed a reasonable compensation for indexing the journals, to be ascertained by the secretary of the commonwealth; the assistant and transcribing clerks of each branch of the legislature shall receive a per diem allowance of three dollars per day during the sessions of the legislature, and a salary of one hundred and fifty dollars, as a full compensation for their services; and the aforesaid clerks, assistant and transcribing clerks shall, in addition to the per diem pay and salaries provided for as aforesaid, each be entitled to receive fifteen cents per mile for every mile necessarily travelled in coming to

Harrisburg and returning to their places of residence, as a full compensation for travelling expenses: *Provided*, That hereafter that no comparing committee shall be allowed a clerk.

Sergeant-at-Arms Door-keepers &c

SECTION 8. The sergeant-at-arms and door-keeper of the senate and of the house of representatives shall each be entitled to receive two dollars per day during the sessions of the legislature, and fifteen cents per mile for every mile necessarily travelled in coming to Harrisburg and returning to their places of residence, as a full compensation; the assistant sergeant-at-arms and assistant door-keepers of both branches of the legislature, shall each be entitled to receive two dollars per day; and the messengers of the senate and house of representatives shall each be entitled to receive two dollars per day during the sessions of the legislature, as a full compensation for their services.

Engineer

SECTION 9. That the principal engineer shall be entitled to receive a salary of one thousand dollars per annum, as a full compensation for his services; and he is hereby required to measure the work not already estimated on the North Branch canal and the Erie extension, on or before the first day of July next; and this office shall be abolished in one year after the passage of this act, or sooner if the canal commissioners can dispense with his services.

Members of legislature

SECTION 10. After the adjournment of the present legislature, the per diem pay of the members, after any session of the legislature shall continue over one hundred days, shall be one dollar and fifty cents per day, for the number of days that the legislature may continue in session beyond that time; the pay of the members for all adjourned or extra sessions shall be one dollar and fifty cents per day, and mileage, unless any such extra session may be convened by proclamation of the governor, in which case the per diem pay and mileage shall be the same as at present; from and after the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, no member or officer of either branch of the legislature shall be entitled to receive any daily pay or other compensation for any day on which he shall fail or neglect to attend the sessions of the house of which he is a member or officer, unless his attendance shall be prevented by sickness of himself or family, or by the performance of duties assigned him by said house; and it shall be the duty of the clerks of both branches of the legislature, to note upon the journal every day, the absence of any member, and to furnish a statement thereof, at the close of each session, to the committee on accounts, who shall disallow pay in all cases as specified in this act: *And provided*, That the speaker of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives, respectively, shall receive

Duty of clerks

the sum of one dollar per day for every day they shall attend their respective duties, in addition to the pay allowed them as members of the legislature by this act.

SECTION 11. Each member of the legislature shall purchase such stationary as he needs for his use as a member, not to exceed ten dollars, and shall render his account for the same, specifying the items and the dates when they were purchased, to the committee on accounts, at the close of the session, who shall settle the same; and if they are satisfied of its correctness, the speaker of each house shall draw his warrant on the state treasurer in favor of each member for the amount to which they respectively may be entitled, agreeably to the provisions aforesaid, and the aggregate amount thereof purchased by each member shall be placed on the journals. Stationary

SECTION 12. That from and after the passage of this act, Franking the franking privilege shall only extend to letters and documents sent and received by the members and clerks of the respective branches of the legislature: *Provided*, That no other officer, or clerk, or agent in the employ of the government, except the executive, shall be permitted to frank any document, nor shall the head of any of the departments be allowed to frank any letter except such as relates to the business of their respective departments: *And provided further*, That no member or clerk of either branch of the legislature shall be permitted to frank any letter or document for any other person. Franking privilege

SECTION 13. That hereafter no warrant shall be drawn upon the state treasurer by any speaker of either branch of the legislature, except for the pay and mileage of the members. The contingent expenses shall be drawn by the respective chief clerks, on the warrant of the auditor general, approved by the state treasurer, and all their accounts shall be settled as other accounts are settled by the auditor general and state treasurer; but no such clerk shall be permitted to draw from the treasury more than two thousand dollars, until he shall have settled his account thereof as aforesaid; and the account for said contingencies shall embrace no expenditure, except for light, fuel, the repairs of the hall, and for labor done therein, and the necessary stationary for the two houses, and the different committees appointed in each. Mileage

SECTION 14. That from and after the passage of this act, the salaries of the officers of the eastern penitentiary shall be as follows, to wit: The warden shall not receive more than twelve hundred dollars; the physician not more than five hundred dollars; the moral instructor not more than five Salaries E
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hundred dollars; the principal overseer not more than six hundred dollars; each of the other male overseers not more than four hundred dollars; the female nurse and overseer not more than three hundred dollars each; the gate-keeper not more than four hundred dollars; each of the watchmen not more than three hundred and sixty-five dollars; and the clerk not more than eight hundred dollars per annum: *Provided, however,* That not more than two watchmen shall be employed at one time, unless the board of inspectors shall at any time agree that another watchman is indispensably necessary.

Western Penitentiary SECTION 15. That from and after the passage of this act, the salaries of the officers of the western penitentiary shall be as follows, to wit: The warden shall not receive more than one thousand dollars; the physician not more than five hundred dollars; the moral instructor not more than four hundred and twenty-five dollars; the clerk not more than five hundred and fifty dollars; the principal overseer not more than five hundred and fifty dollars; each of the other overseers not more than four hundred dollars; the engineer not more than five hundred dollars; and the watchman not more than three hundred and sixty-five dollars per annum: *Provided,* That the salaries of the officers in the eastern and western penitentiaries shall hereafter be paid out of the funds of the respective institutions.

Office hours SECTION 16. That from and after the passage of this act, it shall be the duty of the auditor general, state treasurer, office of the canal commissioners, secretary of the commonwealth, and surveyor general, to open and keep open their respective offices from eight o'clock in the morning until twelve o'clock, noon, and from two o'clock until six o'clock in the afternoon, each and every day, excepting Sundays; during the session of the legislature.

SECTION 17. So much of any act or acts as are hereby altered or supplied, be and the same are hereby repealed.

HENDRICK B. WRIGHT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

B. CRISPIN,
Speaker of the Senate.

We do certify, that the bill, entitled "An Act to reduce the expenses of government," was presented to the governor on the fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, and was not returned within ten days, (Sundays excepted,) after it had been presented to him. Wherefore,

it has, agreeably to the constitution of this commonwealth, become a law in like manner as if he had signed it.

WM. J. B. ANDREWS,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES W. HEGINS,
Clerk of the Senate.

HARRISBURG, April 17, 1843.

[No. 156.]

AN ACT

For the relief of Daniel Henderson, and others, soldiers and widows of soldiers of the Revolutionary and Indian wars.

SECTION 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 authorized and directed to pay to Daniel Henderson, Butler county, Thomas English, Mercer county, Rebecca Stedman, Northumberland county, Margaret Kip, Juniata county, Magdalen Young, Casper Brensinger, Catharine Richards, Elizabeth Schraeder, Berks county, Margaret Miller, Thomas Flanagan, Philadelphia, Elizabeth Painter, Catharine Fiscus, Philadelphia, Elizabeth Rasher, Armstrong county, Rachel Eyler, John Derr, Franklin county, Frederick Snyder, Monroe county, John Gehr, Sen'r, Mary Owry, Mary M. Conrad, Crawford county, James Blashford, Adam Shepley, Allegheny county, Elizabeth Moreland, William Miller, Jacob Statler, Greene county, Mary Zimmerman, Baltimore city, Christian Scheetz, Lehigh county, Barbara Shannon, Meadville, Pennsylvania, Robert Robertson, Ralph Boon, Fayette county, Ester Foreman, Franklin county, Eve Hest, Bucks county, Martha Campbell, Washington county, Margaret Toops, Dauphin county, Alanson Bills, James Donahay, Simon Ruffner, Indiana county, Esther Keatly, Clarion county, Catharine Good, Columbia county, Sarah Overholtz, Luzerne county, John Kurtz, Lancaster county, Daniel Tarr, Robert M'Guire, Westmoreland county, Abraham C. Kulp, Lycoming county, Eleanor Reed of Huntingdon county, Christiana Hawn and