

1781. reside, is considered as exorbitant and severe : *Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said penalty shall be thirty shillings for every such neglect, to be recovered as a debt under forty shillings, by any person that will sue for the same, on proof made that the said bolter, miller or baker has exercised his said employment in manufacturing flour or bread for exportation, for one month, without having made such entry.

Penalty on bolters, &c. for not entering their respective brands.

SECT. IV. And whereas the forfeiture of the casks and their contents, in case of deficiency of weight, is considered as too severe, since accidental deficiencies may happen, where no fraud was intended : *Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That in all cases where casks of flour are found deficient in weight upon trial and examination, agreeable to the directions of the act aforesaid, the person so offering such deficient cask or casks shall forfeit, for every pound so wanting in weight, the sum of nine-pence, to be paid into the hands of said inspector.

Forfeiture, in case of deficiency of weight.

SECT. V. And whereas it has been found impracticable to brand all the casks of flour and bread offered for exportation with the arms of this state, agreeable to the directions contained in said act : *Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said inspector shall stamp the said casks, and the plugs (put into the holes made by the said inspector) with the letters S. P. And all casks with counterfeited stamps, as well as casks, the contents of which may have been changed after inspection, shall be liable to seizure and forfeiture, if offered for transportation out of this state.

Casks for exportation to be stamped with the letters S. P.

SECT. VI. And whereas doubts have arisen whether middlings can be exported out of this state under the aforesaid law : *Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful to export middlings ; but every cask of middlings exported or offered for exportation, shall, besides and exclusive of the miller's common brands, be branded by the miller with the word **MIDLINGS**, at length, or be liable to seizure and forfeiture.

Middlings for exportation to be branded as such.

SECT. VII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all fines and penalties herein mentioned shall be recovered and applied, in manner and form, as is directed by this act, and the act to which this is a supplement.

Penalties how to be recovered.

SECT. VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of the fifth section of the above recited act, as imposes a fine of five shillings per day on bolters and millers for the neglect therein mentioned, and the clauses of forfeiture mentioned in the sixth section, and that part of the seventh section which enjoins the branding casks with the arms of the state, shall be, and they hereby are, altered and repealed.

Passed 28th December, 1781.—Recorded in Law Book No. I. page 466. (q)

(q) See the original act ante. vol. 1. (chap 925,) and the note thereto subjoined.

CHAPTER DCCCCXLVIII.

An ACT for the better repairing and amending the banks, dams, ditches, sluices and flood-gates, on State-Island.

Passed 18th March, 1782.—Private Act.—Recorded in Law Book No. 1. page 467.

CHAPTER DCCCCLI.

1782.

An ACT to amend an act, entitled "An Act for the better employment of the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, the townships of Moyamensing, Passyunk, and the Northern Liberties," and to revive and perpetuate an act, entitled "An Act for the relief of the poor," and for repealing two other acts herein mentioned.

SECT. IX. AND whereas the act, entitled "An Act for the relief of the poor," passed the ninth day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, hath been found by experience to be of great public utility :

SECT. X. *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That* the said act, and every article, clause, matter and thing, therein contained, is hereby revived, re-enacted, and made perpetual, except the clause limiting the continuance thereof, and such other parts thereof as are hereby altered, amended and supplied, or relate to the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen of the city of Philadelphia, whose authority, jurisdiction and power, granted by the said act, shall be exercised by the Justices of the peace of the said city, or any three of them, agreeable to the directions of the act, passed the fourteenth day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven.

An act, passed in 1771, made perpetual, chap. 635,

SECT. XII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That* so much of the act, entitled "An Act for the better employment of the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, the townships of Moyamensing, Passyunk and Northern Liberties," passed the eighth day of February, in the year one thousand seven hundred and sixty-six, as incorporates the township of Passyunk with the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and the townships of Moyamensing and Northern Liberties, is hereby repealed and made void.

The incorporation of Passyunk with Philadelphia, &c. annulled.

Passed 25th March, 1782.—Recorded in Law Book No I. pa. 486. (r)

(r) The whole of this act, except 1803, (chap. 2357,) see ante. vol. 1. pa. the three sections here retained, is repealed by an act passed March 29th, 346.

CHAPTER DCCCCLIII.

An ACT to vest certain powers in the President of this State, together with the other officers therein named, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

SECT. I. WHEREAS many delays have been occasioned in transacting the business of the Land-Office of this state, by reason of doubts which remained with the different officers, touching their power of determining many controversies on caveats, which stand undetermined on the books of said office, as well as a great variety of other cases touching escheats, warrants granted to agree, rights of pre-emption, promises, and other imperfect titles :