

1782. was repealed September 21st, 1791, (chap. 1571.)

A Loan-Office was established for the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, April 11th, 1793, (chap. 1686.) which was repealed, so far as it had not been acted on, April 18th, 1794, (chap. 1739.)

April 17th, 1795, (chap. 1838,) the governor authorized to vest the unproductive monies of this commonwealth in certain description of public debt. And see the act to encourage the patenting of lands passed April 4th, 1805, (chap. 2605.) Auction duties to be vested in stock, March 4th, 1807, (chap. 2757,) see the act for the improvement of the state, by which other funds are to be vested in stock, March 21st, 1808. (chap. 2930.) All surplus money in the Treasury, exceeding 30,000 dollars, from time to time, to be vested in stock, see the act of March 20th, 1810.

For loans to the state, and investments of money in numerous incorporated companies—see Index.

For the bills of credit, emitted previous to the revolution—See chapters, 261, 267, 274, 289, 300, 319, 353, 363, 406, 412, 513, 656, 672, 698, 713, which will be found in the titles prefixed to this volume.

With respect to the Luzerne controversy, and the powers and duties vested in and enjoined on the accounting officers and issuing and redeeming certificates relating thereto, see the act of April 4th, 1799, (chap. 2042,) and 15th March, 1800, (chap. 2137.)

See also the following titles, in the General Index.

State Treasurer—County Treasurer—County Rates and Levies—Auditors—Auctions—County Commissioners—and Taxes.

The Comptroller-General has no power to settle demands arising from torts, or the wrongful acts of any of the officers of the state *Black and others*, executors of *Newbold v. Rempublicam* Supreme Court, April 1792. MSS. Reports.

CHAPTER DCCCCLXIV.

A SUPPLEMENT to an act, entitled "An act to alter and amend an act, entitled "An act for the effectual suppression of public auctions and vendues, and to prohibit male persons, capable of bearing arms, from being hawkers and pedlars."

SECT. I. WHEREAS the commissions or recompence, allowed to the auctioneers for the city of Philadelphia, the Northern-Liberties and the district of Southwark, respectively, for the services by them performed, by virtue of the act of Assembly, entitled "An act to alter and amend an act, entitled "An act for the effectual suppression of public auctions and vendues, and to prohibit male persons, capable of bearing arms, from being hawkers and pedlars," passed the twenty-third day of September, in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty, have been remonstrated against by the merchants, traders, and others residing within the said city, liberties and district, and are deemed more than adequate or necessary: And whereas the exigencies of government require immediate additional funds, for the support thereof:

SECT. II. *Be it therefore enacted, by the Representatives of the Freeman of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the auctioneers of the city of Philadelphia, the Northern-Liberties and the district of Southwark, respectively, may and shall, from and after the passing of this act, have and receive, for their expenses and trouble in selling any property at public auction, collecting the money, and paying over the same without loss, the following allowance or reward, and no more; that is to say, for houses, lands, tenements or real*

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estates, and for ships or vessels, an half per centum; for wine, rum, sugar, coffee, tea, and all other groceries, sold by the pipe, hogshead, tierce, barrel, bag, chest or box, one and a quarter per centum; and for horses, cattle, and all other goods, wares and merchandizes, not before enumerated, or sold in smaller quantities than before mentioned, two and an half per centum. *Provided always*, That any person or persons may contract and agree with any of the said auctioneers to pay them for their services in the premises any less reward, which they may be willing to accept. 1782.

[SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That every of the said auctioneers, from and after the passing of this act, is hereby authorized, empowered and required to demand and receive, over and above the sum mentioned in the aforesaid act, to which this is a supplement, an additional one per centum of the gross amount of the sales by him made in pursuance of the said act, for the use of this commonwealth, except for ships or vessels, houses and lots; and shall account for and pay over the same to the State Treasurer, within the time and in the manner directed with respect to the one per centum imposed by the said act, under the penalty in the said act mentioned. Auctioneers to demand and receive an additional one per centum for the use of the commonwealth; [Reduced by the act of March, 27th, 1790 chap. 1483.]

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the several bonds given by the said auctioneers to the President, for the faithful performance of the duties of them required by the aforesaid act, shall be a security for the payment of the one per centum imposed by this act. and for the payment of which, their bonds to the President shall be a security.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the revenue arising from the sales by auction in the city of Philadelphia, the Northern-Liberties and the district of Southwark, from and after the passing of this act, shall be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the support of government, and the administration of justice within this commonwealth.* Revenues appropriated. [* See the note to chap. 908.]

Passed 13th April, 1782.—Recorded in Law Book No. I. page 521. (x)

(x) See the act to which this is a supplement, chap. 908, ante. vol. I. pa. 509, and the note thereto subjoined, which refers to all the laws passed on this subject. (Note to former edition.)

CHAPTER DCCCCLXVI.

An ACT for establishing ferries on the rivers Monongahela and Youghiogany.

[WILLIAM CRAWFORD authorized to establish a ferry over the river Youghiogany at Stewart's Crossings, and JOHN DEVOIR, executor, &c. of JACOBUS DEVOIR, on behalf of the orphan children of Jacobus Devoir, and JOSEPH PARKINSON authorized to establish a ferry over the river Monongahela, about thirty perches below the mouth of Pigeon creek.]

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said rivers, so far up as they or either of them have been or can be made navigable for rafts, boats and canoes, and within the Which rivers are declared to be public highways.