

stead and places of the said provincials, it shall and may be lawful for him to enlist and take into pay for the term aforesaid one thousand effective men and officers to command them for the said purpose at the charge aforesaid, to be defrayed in manner aforesaid, and the said commissioners or the major part of them or of the survivors of them, with the approbation of the governor, are hereby authorized [and] empowered to allow a bounty of two pistoles to such as shall [enlist] on that particular service to maintain them until they shall arrive at the said province of New York, and to pay them the like wages during that service as the other troops of this province are paid and allowed.

And the officers to be appointed for this last-beforementioned purpose shall have the same pay and allowance for recruiting as is at present paid and allowed to the officers in the provincial service.

Passed August 19, 1757. Referred for consideration by the King in Council, January 27, 1758, and allowed to become a law by lapse of time in accordance with the proprietary charter. See Appendix XXI, Section IV.

CHAPTER CCCCXXVI.

A SUPPLEMENT TO AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR BINDING OUT AND SETTling SUCH OF THE INHABITANTS OF NOVA SCOTIA IMPORTED INTO THIS PROVINCE AS ARE UNDER AGE, AND FOR MAINTAINING THE AGED, SICK AND MAIMED AT THE CHARGE OF THE PROVINCE."¹

Whereas the said act, entitled "An act for binding out and settling such of the inhabitants of Nova Scotia imported into this province as are under age and for maintaining the aged, sick and maimed at the charge of the province," orders and directs the overseers of the poor of the several townships in this province to provide for and maintain such of the late inhabitants of Nova Scotia as by reason of age, impotence or any bodily

¹ Passed January 18, 1757, Chapter 417.

sickness and infirmity are rendered incapable to provide for themselves, but is defective in not pointing out and directing the method by which the expense and charge of such supporting and maintenance should be paid and defrayed.

And whereas the overseers of the poor of the said several townships have from time to time laid out and expended considerable sums of their own proper moneys, and have staked their credit for other sums for the purposes aforesaid which yet remain undischarged and not satisfied, and have of late neglected and refused to afford them the said inhabitants of Nova Scotia the usual subsistence, whereby many of them are in the most necessitous and distressing circumstances and likely to perish for want of the necessary relief:

For remedying whereof:

[Section I.] Be it enacted by the Honorable William Denny, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor under the Honorable Thomas Penn and Richard Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania and counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware, by and with the advice and consent of the representatives of the freemen of the said Province in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful, and the commissioners or a majority of them nominated and appointed by the act, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled 'An act for granting the sum of sixty thousand pounds to the King's use and for striking fifty-five thousand pounds thereof in bills of credit, and to provide a fund for sinking the same,' and for granting to His Majesty the additional sum of one hundred thousand pounds,"¹ are hereby enjoined and required to settle and adjust the accounts of the said overseers of the poor in whose townships the said inhabitants of Nova Scotia are or have been dispersed, and when settled to allow the same, and for the payment and discharge thereof to draw an order or orders on the trustees of the general loan office of this province, which order or orders the said trustees are hereby enjoined and required forthwith to pay and discharge out of the said sum of one hundred thousand pounds granted to His Majesty's use as aforesaid.

¹ Passed March 23, 1757, Chapter 422.

[Section II.] And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case any of the said inhabitants of Nova Scotia that are under age should be bound out to any trades or occupations, and before the expiration of their respective indentures the said inhabitants of Nova Scotia, by any order, direction or act of government, should be sent for, carried or transported out of this government, then and in such case the said minors or persons under age shall be and are hereby declared to be freed and discharged of and from the covenants in the said indentures respectively contained and from the service and employment of their respective masters and mistresses; and their said several masters and mistresses in such case shall be paid at the expense of the public a reasonable consideration for the respective apprentices so as aforesaid discharged from their services.

Passed September 27, 1757. Referred for consideration by the King in Council, November 7, 1758, and allowed to become a law by lapse of time in accordance with the proprietary charter. See Appendix XXI, Section IV, and note to the Act of Assembly passed January 13, 1757, Chapter 416.

CHAPTER CCCCXXVII.

AN ACT TO ENABLE RICHARD HILL AND SAMUEL PRESTON MOORE AND HANNAH, HIS WIFE, TO COMPLY WITH, ESTABLISH, RATIFY AND CONFIRM CERTAIN AGREEMENTS MADE BETWEEN THE SAID SAMUEL PRESTON MOORE AND RICHARD HILL, LATE OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, JOINTLY OF THE ONE PART, AND DIVERS OTHER PERSONS OF THE OTHER PART; AND ALSO BETWEEN THE SAID RICHARD HILL, DECEASED, SEPARATELY, OF THE ONE PART, AND DIVERS PERSONS OF THE OTHER PART, WHICH WERE ENTERED INTO BY THEM IN THE LIFETIME OF THE SAID RICHARD HILL, DECEASED, SOME OF WHOSE HEIRS AND DEVISEES ARE UNDER AGE.

Whereas the said Samuel Preston Moore and the said Richard Hill, deceased, were in the lifetime of the same Richard seized as tenants in common in fee-simple of and in certain tracts of land and lots of ground situate in this province and in the city