

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That no court of common pleas in this state shall have cognizance of any debt or demand under five pounds, but that the same shall be determined in such manner as debts under forty shillings formerly were.

[Section III.] (Section IV, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That such parts of the said law to which this is a supplement as are now altered or amended are hereby repealed and declared to be null and void.

[Section IV.] (Section V, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the act entitled "An act to increase the fines and penalties on public officers for refusal and neglect of duty, and also to augment the fees of the several officers hereinafter mentioned,"¹ shall be and continue in force until the end of the next sitting of the next general assembly and no longer.

Passed October 9, 1779. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 7, 1745-46, Chapter 365. The act in the text was repealed by the Act of Assembly passed April 3, 1781, Chapter 935.

CHAPTER DCCCLXIII.

AN ACT FOR CONTINUING AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE MORE EASY RECOVERY OF LEGACIES."²

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas an act of assembly passed on the twenty-first day of March, which was in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-two, entitled "An act for the more easy recovery of legacies," has been found a good and wholesome law; and fit to be perpetuated; and the same being nearly expired by its own limitation:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of

¹ Passed March 16, 1779, Chapter 828.

² Passed March 21, 1772, Chapter 654.

the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the said act, and everything therein contained, save the clause limiting the continuance thereof, is hereby made perpetual.

Passed October 9, 1779. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 21, 1772, Chapter 654.

CHAPTER DCCCLXIV.

AN ACT FOR PROCURING AN IMMEDIATE SUPPLY OF PROVISIONS FOR THE PURPOSES HEREIN MENTIONED.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas his most christian majesty, the illustrious friend and ally of these United States, hath sent a great and powerful fleet to co-operate with the arms of these states for the annoyance and destruction of the common enemy, which will require a very considerable and immediate supply of provisions, and more especially of flour, which it is both our duty and interest to furnish without delay, so as to give vigor and effect to the united arms, and realize the happy prospects of terminating the war:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the county of Philadelphia shall furnish one thousand barrels of good merchantable flour; the county of Chester two thousand five hundred barrels; the county of Bucks one thousand five hundred barrels; the county of Lancaster three thousand seven hundred and fifty barrels; the county of Berks two thousand two hundred and fifty barrels; the county of Northampton one thousand barrels, to be paid for at the market price.

(Section III, P. L.) Provided always, That any flour delivered by the inhabitants of either of the above counties pursuant to a resolve of the supreme executive council bearing date the thir-