

when any vacancy shall happen by the death, refusal to serve or removal of anyone or more of the church wardens or vestrymen aforesaid, pursuant to the directions of this act, an election shall be held of some fit person or persons in his or their stead, so dying, refusing or removing, as soon as conveniently can be done, and the fit person or persons so elected shall be, remain and continue as a church warden or church wardens, vestryman or vestrymen aforesaid so long without a new election as the person or persons in whose place or stead he or they shall have been so elected as aforesaid would or might have been continued and remained and no longer and that in all cases of a vacancy happening by the means in this act last mentioned, the remaining church wardens and vestrymen shall be empowered to call a meeting of the electors for supplying the said vacancy.

[Section XI.] (Section XIII. P. L.) Provided always and it is hereby further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the clear yearly value or income of the messuages, houses, lands, tenements, rents, annuities or other hereditaments and real estate of the said corporation shall not exceed the sum of five hundred pounds lawful money of the state of Pennsylvania to be taken and esteemed exclusive of the money arising from the annual stated contributions belonging to the said church, and also exclusive of the money arising from the opening of the ground for burials, which said money shall be received by the trustees and disposed of by them in the manner herein before directed.

Passed March 6, 1786. Recorded L. B. No. 3, p. 86, etc.

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## CHAPTER MCCIX.

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AN ACT FOR COMPLYING WITH THE REQUISITION OF THE UNITED STATES IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED FOR THE SERVICES OF THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE AND FOR PAYING ONE YEAR'S INTEREST ON THE FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DEBTS.

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas the United States in Congress assembled by their act bearing date the twenty-seventh day of

September, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, did require of the several states in the union to raise and pay into the common treasury in the manner in the said act mentioned on or before the first day of May then next, their respective quotas of three millions of dollars, "For the services of the said year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, for the payment of one year's interest on the foreign and domestic debt, and as a provision to discharge the balance of the estimate of April the twenty-seventh, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, above the sum called for by the resolve of Congress of that date," as in and by the said act are more fully mentioned and described, of which said three millions, the quota required from this state is four hundred and ten thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars.

And whereas in and by the act of the legislature of this commonwealth passed the sixteenth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five entitled, "An act for furnishing the quota of this state towards paying the annual interest of the debts of the United States and for funding and paying of the debts of this state,"<sup>1</sup> it is among other things enacted and declared that from and after the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four, there shall be paid yearly and every year out of the treasury of this state into the hands of the continental loan office within the same, the sum of one hundred and twenty-three thousand nine hundred and thirty-two pounds or such other sum as shall from time to time appear to be the true proportion or quota of this state of the aggregate debt of the United States contracted during the late war for and towards paying the interest of the said debt in the manner and under the regulations and restrictions in the said act mentioned, with a proviso that whenever the United States should make and carry into execution other effectual and permanent provision for paying the said annual interest, the payment of the aforesaid annual sum or quota of this state in manner aforesaid, should cease, determine and be discontinued.

And whereas the said United States by their act as aforesaid have made such provisions for paying the said interest as they

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<sup>1</sup> Chapter 1137.

have deemed proper and under such regulations and restrictions as render it inexpedient to continue the payments of the said interest in the manner directed by the aforesaid act of the legislature of this state.

And whereas it is expedient and necessary that the federal government of the United States of America should be honorably supported and that the said United States should be enabled to pay the interest of the said debts until the principal thereof can be fairly discharged:

[Section I.] (Section II. P. L.) Be it enacted and it is enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and by the authority of the same, That such part and so much and no more of the aforesaid act entitled, "An act for furnishing the quota of this state, towards paying the annual interest of the debts of the United States, and for funding and paying the interest of the debts of this state,"<sup>2</sup> as relates to the paying of the aforesaid sum of one hundred and twenty-three thousand and nine hundred and thirty-two pounds annually out of the treasury of this state to the continental loan officer, and to the payment and distribution of the same by the said loan officer be and the same is hereby repealed.

(Section III. P. L.) Provided nevertheless, That nothing herein contained shall be taken, deemed or construed to affect such payments of interest as the said loan officer shall have lawfully made by virtue of the said act on or before the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, for such payments not exceeding the aforesaid sum of one hundred and twenty-three thousand nine hundred and thirty-two pounds, as shall have been made to him out of the treasury of this state, and by him expended in manner aforesaid on or before the first day of January, but the same shall be good and valid, and shall be accounted for and allowed in such manner as in and by the said recited act is directed and required, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, and the amount thereof shall be deemed and accounted as a payment to the United States on account of the

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<sup>2</sup> Ante.

aforesaid quota of four hundred and ten thousand three hundred and seventy-eight dollars and of the quota of this state of the requisition of the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four so far as the said quotas are respectively payable by discounts of interests on the domestic debts of the United States.

(Section IV. P. L.) And whereas it is requisite in conformity to the general intent and meaning of the before recited act of this state, and in order to comply fully and fairly with the before said requisitions and one other requisition of the honorable congress bearing date the fourth day of September, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two for one million two hundred thousand dollars whereof the quota required of this state was one hundred and eighty thousand dollars, some part of which remains unpaid, that such appropriation should be made of the revenues and funds mentioned in the said recited act as will be necessary to effect this salutary purpose.

[Section II.] (Section V. P. L.) Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the treasurer of this state shall and he is hereby directed to pay to the order of the United States in congress assembled or to the persons or persons by them duly authorized to receive the same out of the revenues and fund a fore said so much efficient money in species, together with the specie payments already made on account of the said two requisitions of congress will amount to the sum of five hundred and fifty-seven thousand and ninety-seven dollars, and so much in receipts or certificates of interest paid or discounted on the debts of the United States as together with the payments made to and by the continental loan office in this state as aforesaid, and the payments made in like manner by virtue of the act of assembly enacted on the twenty-first day of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three entitled, "An act for providing the quota of federal supplies for the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, and for the relief of the citizens of this state who have become creditors of the United States of America by loans of money or other modes of furnishing public supplies,"<sup>3</sup> will amount to the sum of five hundred and

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<sup>3</sup> Chapter 1021.

ninety-three thousand six hundred and eighty-four dollars, for which payments respectively the said treasurer is hereby directed to procure acquittances from the United States or the person or persons by them duly authorized to give the same and such acquittances shall be deemed proper vouchers in the settlements of his accounts, anything in the before recited act entitled "An act for furnishing the quota of this state towards paying the annual interest of the debts of the United States, and for funding and paying the interest of the debts of this state,"<sup>4</sup> contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

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See the Act of Assembly passed April 8, 1786, Chapter 1226.

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## CHAPTER MCCX.

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AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF SUCH OFFICERS LATE OF THE STATE NAVY AS WERE MADE PRISONERS OF WAR PREVIOUS TO THE DERANGEMENT IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHT AND WERE AFTERWARDS HONORABLY DISCHARGED, AND OF THE WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF THOSE OFFICERS WHO DIED DURING THEIR CAPTIVITY.

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas by an act of the assembly passed the eighth day of April last, divers officers of the state who were deranged in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight are entitled to their depre[ciation] of their pay:

And whereas it is just and reasonable that such officers who were made prisoners of war previous to the said derangement and afterwards were honorably discharged, and the widows or children of such officers who died during their captivity should be entitled to have the depreciation of their pay accounts settled and adjusted.

[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 comptroller general

<sup>4</sup> Ante.