

a sixth district for the purpose of holding their general elections,"² as is hereby altered be and the same is hereby repealed.

Passed September 27, 1788. Recorded L. B. No. 3. p. 419.

CHAPTER MCCCLXIII.

AN ACT TO EXONERATE THE FRONTIER INHABITANTS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FROM THE PAYMENT OF TAXES.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas the frontier inhabitants of Washington county have by their petition set forth that they are greatly distressed and impoverished by the frequent incursions and depredations of the Indians so as to be rendered unable to comply with the demands of government in paying their taxes, and therefore have prayed this house to give them relief by exoneration:

And whereas it is deemed just and reasonable to give the citizens of Washington county that relief which they have prayed for:

[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 it shall and may be lawful for the commissioners of the county aforesaid or any two of them to hear, judge of and determine upon all applications that shall be made by the frontier inhabitants of said county in pursuance of this act, and in all cases [where] said commissioners have due information either from their own knowledge or by the oath or affirmation of one or more credible witnesses (which oath or affirmation the said commissioners are hereby empowered to administer) that the person so applying has been actually driven from his or her habitation, or been otherwise distressed by the depredations of the Indians, then and in such case the commissioners shall extend to such

² Passed September 10, 1787, Chapter 1301.

applicants the benefits of this act and grant them exoneration either from the whole or such part of their tax as the commissioners shall think they are entitled to by this act, and that this act shall continue for and during the term of two years.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said commissioners shall annually transmit to the general assembly of this state a list of the names of the persons so exonerated and stating the amount of the sum so remitted.

Passed October 3, 1788. Recorded L. B. No. 3, p. 403.

CHAPTER MCCCLXIV.

A SUPPLEMENT TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ALTER AND AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED 'AN ACT FOR GRANTING AND DISPOSING OF THE UNAPPROPRIATED LANDS WITHIN THIS STATE.'"¹

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas in and by an act of general assembly of this commonwealth entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act of assembly, entitled, 'an act for granting and disposing of the unappropriated lands within this state,'"² it is enacted and declared that the price of the unappropriated lands within this state which have been purchased or should be purchased by certain commissioners for that purpose appointed should be fixed at thirty pounds for every one hundred acres of the same land and so in proportion for greater or less quantities thereof, and it was by the same act directed that payments of the same price should be made before the issuing of the warrant for surveying each tract thereof respectively, either in gold or silver money or in the bills of this state which be dated on the twentieth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one or in certain certificates which are particularly described in another act of general assembly of this commonwealth entitled, "An act for opening

(1) Passed December 21, 1784, Chapter 1122.

(2) Ante.