

CHAPTER MCDLXX.

AN ACT TO LIMIT THE TIME FOR EXCHANGING AND REDEEMING CERTAIN BILLS OF CREDIT AND CERTIFICATES THEREIN MENTIONED.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas the legislature did by sundry votes or resolutions in the years one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five and one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six and by an act of general assembly passed on the twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven entitled, "An act for emitting the sum of two hundred thousand pounds in bills of credit for the defence of this state and providing a fund for sinking the same by a tax on the estates real and personal and on all taxables within the same,"¹ emit and issue certain bills of credit amounting in the whole to the sum of four hundred thousand pounds:

And whereas by one other act of general assembly passed on the seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one entitled, "An act for emitting the sum of five hundred thousand pounds in bills of credit for the support of the army and for establishing a fund for the redemption of the same and for other purposes therein mentioned,"² all the said bills of credit not emitted and issued by and in pursuance of the said last recited act:

And whereas a reasonable and sufficient time hath been afforded and allowed for making the exchange directed as aforesaid and it is now proper and expedient that some limitation of the period for making thereof should be ascertained and fixed:

Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it enacted and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and by the

¹ Chapter 752.

² Chapter 939.

authority of the same, That all the said bills of credit emitted and issued in pursuance of any vote or resolution of the general assembly of Pennsylvania in the years one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five and one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six or in pursuance of the said recited act passed on the twentieth day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven, which shall not be brought in and exchanged as aforesaid on or before the first day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one shall not afterwards be exchanged but the same shall be and are hereby declared to be from thenceforth irredeemable, anything contained in the said votes or resolutions or in the said act by which the said bills of credit were made current or in any other act whatsoever to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

And whereas by virtue of an act of general assembly passed on the first day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty entitled, "An act for procuring an immediate supply of provisions for the federal army in its present exigency,"¹ the supreme executive council did appoint and authorize certain commissioners to purchase horses, provisions and other articles for the use of the army of the United States in consideration whereof certificates bearing interest at six per centum were given by the said commisioners unto the persons respectively from whom the same were purchased and which said certificates were also exchanged for the bills of credit issued and emitted by and in pursuance of the above recited act of general assembly passed on the seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one.

And whereas there still remains a great number of the said certificates unexchanged notwithstanding a reasonable and sufficient time hath been afforded and allowed for exchanging thereof and it is proper and expedient that some limitation of the period for so doing should be ascertained and fixed:

Therefore:

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) Be it further enacted by

¹Chapter 913.

the authority aforesaid, That all the said certificates which shall not be brought in and exchanged as aforesaid on or before the first day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one shall not afterwards be exchanged but the same shall be and the same are hereby declared to be from henceforth irredeemable anything in the said recited act by virtue whereof the said commissioners were appointed or in any other act whatsoever to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Passed December 4, 1789. Recorded L. B. No. 4, p. 41.

CHAPTER MCDLXXI.

AN ACT TO CONTINUE AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR OPENING AND AMENDING THE PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS WITHIN THIS PROVINCE."¹

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas the act of general assembly entitled "An act to continue the act of general assembly entitled 'An act for opening and better amending and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this province,'"² enacted on the twenty-ninth day of September which was in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven will soon expire by its own limitation and it is proper that the same should be continued:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it 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 act entitled "An act for opening and better amending and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this province," and everything in the same act contained (the clause of limitation thereof only excepted) shall be and the same hereby is continued for and during the term of seven years from and after the enacting hereof and from thence until the end of the next session of the general assembly and no longer.

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¹ Passed March 21, 1772, Chapter 653.

² Chapter 1320.