

CHAPTER MDXXVII.

AN ACT FOR PROVIDING PAYMENT TO DOCTOR FRANCIS ALISON AND OTHERS FOR SUPPLIES FURNISHED IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE.

Whereas Doctor Francis Alison, surviving executor of the last will and testament of his brother Benjamin Alison, by petition to this house represented, That in consequence of the orders of John Penn, Esquire, late governor of Pennsylvania, dated the twenty-fifth day of November, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, the said deceased furnished supplies and medicines to persons employed to execute the said orders, and as the said accounts cannot be settled and adjusted under any of the existing laws of this commonwealth, and as it is but just and reasonable that compensation should be made to those who furnished such supplies for the use of government: Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section I. P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the register-general of this state be and he is hereby authorized and required to examine and settle the accounts of Doctor Francis Allison, surviving executor of his brother, Benjamin Allison, and of such others as furnished supplies to persons employed in the execution of orders given by John Penn, Esquire, late governor of Pennsylvania, dated the twenty-fifth day of November, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five, admitting the said accounts or such parts of them as shall appear to be just and equitable, and the same being examined and approved by the comptroller-general and afterwards confirmed by the governor, certificates shall thereupon be issued in favor of the respective claimants for such sums as they shall be entitled to which certificates shall bear interest from the date of this act. Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to such

persons as have not exhibited their claims either before the general assembly or the late executive council previous to the passing of this act.

Passed February 18, 1791. Recorded L. B. No. 4, p. 134. See the Act of Assembly passed March 21, 1791, Chapter 1537.

CHAPTER MDXXVIII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO DECLARE AND REGULATE ESCHEATS."¹

Whereas it is proper that persons purchasing lands in this state may transmit their possession to their children, relations or friends who may still remain in and be the subjects of foreign states: Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section I. P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That every person, being a citizen or subject of any foreign state, shall be able and capable in law of acquiring and taking by devise or descent lands and other real property in this commonwealth and of holding and disposing of the same in as full and ample a manner as the citizens of this state may or can do and no such lands or estate so held by devise or descent shall escheat or be forfeited to the commonwealth for or on account of the alienage of such person claiming the same under any last will or succeeding thereto according to the laws of this commonwealth.

[Section II.] (Section II. P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all such persons shall be able and capable in law to dispose of any goods and effects to which they may be entitled within this state either by testament donation or otherwise and their representatives, in whatever place they may reside, shall receive the succession according to the laws of this commonwealth, either in person or by attorney

¹Passed September 29, 1787, Chapter 1316.