

in imminent danger of being invaded by the Indian tribes now at war with the United States, and it is necessary that immediate and vigorous measures be taken to prevent their hostile incursions, and to provide for the security of the frontier inhabitants of this commonwealth: 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 sum of four thousand pounds, to be paid out of the funds that are now or may be appropriated by law to defray the expenses of government, be and the same is hereby appropriated to make immediate provision for the defence of the frontiers of this commonwealth, until, in the opinion of the governor, the measures of the government of the United States shall give protection thereto.

[Section II.] (Section II. P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the governor of this commonwealth is hereby authorized and empowered to draw orders upon the state treasurer, for the said sum of four thousand pounds, and to apply the same in such manner as he shall judge most proper for carrying into effect the purposes of this act.

Passed March 17, 1791. Recorded L. B. No. 4, p. 138.

CHAPTER MDXXXVI.

AN ACT TO COMPENSATE ROBERT KING.

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas it appears, by the petition of Robert King, that under the authority of the late supreme executive council, he carried the public dispatches to the Seneca nation, respecting the murder of two Indians on Pine creek, communicating to them a declaration of the resentment of this government against the supposed perpetrators of the murders, and that he exerted himself to bring the offenders to justice, through which he has suffered great loss, and for which he has not had full compensation.

[Section I.] (Section II. 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 governor of this commonwealth be empowered, and he is hereby empowered, to draw an order on the treasurer, for the sum of one hundred thirty-nine pounds three shillings and ten pence, to be paid by him to Robert King, out of the funds appropriated for claims and improvements, as compensation for his services from the eighteenth day of July last until the third day of October following, in carrying the public dispatches, and for his exertions above mentioned.

[Section II.] (Section III. P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the governor be empowered, and he is hereby empowered, to grant a patent to the said Robert King, and his heirs, forever, with a preamble, stating therein the services of the said Robert King, for which the said patent has issued, for a tract of land, situate in the ninth donation district, adjoining the south end of one of the tracts reserved for the use of this commonwealth and the east branch of French creek, to contain four hundred acres, and the usual allowance, to be surveyed in such manner and form, as that the breadth on French creek shall not exceed half the length or depth extending from said creek; and that the same be granted to him clear of all expense.

Passed March 21, 1791. Recorded L. B. No. 4, p. 139.

CHAPTER MDXXXVII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO 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 doubts have arisen in the construction of an act of the legislature of this commonwealth, entitled "An act for providing payment to Doctor Francis Alison, and others, for sup-