

CHAPTER MDCCCXLVI.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF WILLIAM DUNTON, BERNARD MERKLE
AND JOHN KLINE.

Whereas it has appeared to the legislature of this commonwealth, that William Dunton served as sailing master, and that Bernard Merkle served as a seaman, on board the ship *Hyder Ally*, commanded by Captain Joshua Barney, and on the eighth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two, in an engagement between the said ship *Hyder Ally* and a British ship called the *General Monk*, were both wounded in such a manner, as to be disabled from gaining a livelihood:

And whereas John Kline, late a private in the Berks county militia, was disabled by a wound he received in his arm, while in the service of this commonwealth:

And whereas also it is the opinion of the legislature, that the said William Dunton, Bernard Merkle and John Kline, are not entitled to relief from the United States, having been in the service of the state of Pennsylvania only:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it therefore 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 following sums shall be allowed, by way of pensions, to commence, respectively, from the time their monthly pay ceased, and to continue until their recovery from their disability, or death, that is to say: unto William Dunton, seven dollars per month; unto Bernard Merkle, four dollars per month; and unto John Kline, three dollars and one-third of a dollar per month; and the comptroller general and the register general are hereby authorized and required to settle their respective accounts for pensions accordingly, and certify the same to the governor, in the same manner as is provided on the settlement of other accounts. Provided always, That whatever sum or sums of money may have been paid to either of them,

on account of a pension, shall be deducted from their respective accounts.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the governor is hereby authorized and required to draw a warrant or warrants on the state treasurer, agreeably to the certificate or certificates of the comptroller and register general, which warrant or warrants the said treasurer is enjoined to pay, out of the fund appropriated for the support of government.

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CHAPTER MDCCCXLVII.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO AN ACT, ENTITLED, "AN ACT FOR ESTABLISHING AN HEALTH OFFICE, FOR OTHERWISE SECURING THE CITY AND PORT OF PHILADELPHIA FROM THE INTRODUCTION OF PESTILENTIAL AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES, AND FOR REGULATING THE IMPORTATION OF GERMAN AND OTHER PASSENGERS."¹

Whereas inconveniences have arisen, from the present apportionment of the inspectors of the health office among the inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia and those of the Northern Liberties and the district of Souhtwark, and from the want of a power in the board of inspectors to suspend the visits of the physician and detention of vessels, when the navigation of the river Delaware is actually rendered dangerous by reason of the ice:

And whereas it would conduce to the security of the citizens of this commonwealth, that the power of stopping the communication with infected places should not be confined to those out of the United States, and that the buildings contemplated to be erected on State Island should be completed. Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Penn-