

Resolutions.



I.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

WHEREAS by a resolution of the legislature, passed the eighteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and two, the comptroller-general is authorized to employ counsel to assist the attorney-general in two actions, then pending before the supreme court, viz. William Turnbull against the commonwealth, and the commonwealth against the heirs and devisees of David Rittenhouse, late state-treasurer : And whereas it is right and proper, the legislature should be informed if any, and if any, what proceedings have been had on either or both of the aforesaid cases ; and also if any, what proceedings have been had in the case of the commonwealth against Peter Baynton, late state-treasurer : Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby required, to lay-before

fore the legislature a statement of such proceedings, if any, as have been had on either of the aforesaid cases.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*

of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*

of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-eighth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor.*

of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

II.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

RESOLVED *by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met,* That the secretary of the commonwealth be, and he is hereby required to distribute the edition of the laws of the state printed by Mathew Carey and John Bioren, the property of this commonwealth, as follows, viz. one copy thereof to the governor; one copy to the attorney-general; one copy to the prothonotary of each county, for the use of the court; one copy to each of the registers and recorders of the several counties, for the use of their respective offices: *Provided,* That where the offices of prothonotary, register

ter and recorder, or any two of them, are held by the same person, such officer shall receive but one copy; four copies to the clerk of the Senate, for the use of the Senate; ten copies to the clerk of the House of Representatives, for the use of the house; one copy to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives; one copy to the secretary of the commonwealth, comptroller-general, register-general, treasurer of the state, receiver-general, surveyor-general, secretary of the land-office and master of the rolls-office, respectively, for the use of the respective offices; to the clerk of the Senate, and clerk of the House of Representatives, each, one copy; to the board of commissioners of each county in this state, for the use of the board, one copy; to the sheriff of each county, respectively, to be delivered over by them to their successor in office, one copy; to the mayor, recorder and aldermen of the city of Philadelphia, one copy each; to the secretary of the Senate, and clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States, one copy each, for the use of their respective houses; and to the legislature of each state, in the Union, one copy.

And it is further resolved, That the secretary of the commonwealth be enjoined to require the prothonotaries of the respective counties to transmit to him a true statement or list of the names of the judges and justices of the peace of such county, who have not been already furnished with the first, second and third volumes of Dallas's edition of the laws, or with Reed's Digest; and the secretary on receipt of the said statements, or lists, shall lay the same before the Senate and House of Representatives, in order to enable the legislature to distribute the
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present edition of laws amongst the said judges and justices.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*
of the Senate.

APPROVED—January the fourteenth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

III.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

RESOLVED *by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met,* That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby authorized and required, to employ one able counsel, learned in the law, to prosecute the suit brought by the commonwealth against the heirs and devisees of David Rittenhouse, late state-treasurer, deceased, in the high court of errors and appeals,

appeals, which has been determined by the supreme court unfavorably to the state.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the *House of Representatives.*

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*
of the *Senate.*

APPROVED—March the nineteenth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*
of the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.*

IV.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That in future such only of the acts of the General Assembly as are of a public or general nature shall be published in newspapers at the public expence.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the *House of Representatives.*

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*
of the *Senate.*

APPROVED—the second day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*
of the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.*

V.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be, and he is hereby authorized and required to contract for the printing of 2,500 copies of an act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to extend the powers of the Justices of the Peace of this State, and the act, entitled, An act to revive the act, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act to extend the powers of the Justices of the Peace of this State, and an extract from the journals that it was passed by constitutional majorities of both branches of the Legislature, and also an act, entitled, An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, and the Governor's message when he returned the same to the House of Representatives, in the form of pamphlets, and to be by him distributed with all possible dispatch to the same officers, and through the same channel, as is by law directed for the annual distribution of the laws of this Commonwealth, and that the expence incurred be paid out of any unappropriated monies in the treasury of the State, upon warrants drawn by the Governor.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*
of the Senate.

APPROVED—the second day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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VI.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the secretary of the commonwealth be, and he is hereby enjoined and required, to transmit to the prothonotaries of the respective counties the necessary number of copies of the edition of the laws of this commonwealth, printed by Mathew Carey and John Bioren, for the use of the justices of the peace of the said counties, respectively, as they may be entitled to receive, agreeably to a resolution of the General Assembly of the fourteenth of January last, and the statements transmitted by the said prothonotaries to the office of the secretary aforesaid; and it shall be the duty of the prothonotaries, respectively, to take receipts from the justices to whom the said laws shall be delivered, and to transmit such receipts to the office of the secretary of the commonwealth, in order that it may be ascertained whether the same have been distributed agreeably to the directions of the legislature.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*
of the Senate.

APPROVED—the third day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.