

passing of this act, or shall not within seven years afterwards complete the said road according to the true intent and meaning of this act, then in either of those cases, it shall and may be lawful for the legislature of the commonwealth to resume all and singular the rights, liberties, privileges and franchises hereby granted to the company.

Passed April 22, 1794. Recorded L. B. No. 5, p. 331, &c.

CHAPTER MDCCLXXIX.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR SUPPRESSING AN INSURRECTION IN THE WESTERN COUNTIES OF THIS COMMONWEALTH.

Whereas it appears by various well authenticated accounts, that in pursuance of combinations to defeat the laws of the Union, many persons in the western parts of this state have been so hardy as to commit the most flagrant and destructive acts of hostility to the constitution and laws of the United States, as well as to the property of individual citizens; and whereas the president of the United States, by virtue of the powers vested in him by law, has called forth a number of the militia of this commonwealth to restore peace and order among the citizens, and enforce due obedience to the laws.

And whereas it is of the utmost importance to the security of the liberty and property of the citizens that the constitution and laws of the United States should be supported, and those wanton and outrageous violators of the peace, order and good government be compelled to submit to the legitimate authority of their country. In order therefore to enable the governor to carry into prompt effect the patriotic and beneficial intentions of the president of the United States.

[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 governor be authorized to

engage for a term of four months, unless sooner discharged, the number of the militia of this commonwealth required by the president of the United States for the purpose of restoring peace and order in this state, or so many thereof as may be sufficient to complete the quota required as aforesaid, and the governor shall organize the men so engaged into companies and battalions or regiments in such manner as he shall deem expedient, over which he may appoint the necessary officers, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the militia thus engaged shall be subject to the same duty and to the like rules and regulations as if they were called to perform a tour of duty in the manner prescribed by the act, entitled "An act for the regulation of the militia of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania,"¹ passed the eleventh day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

[Section III.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the pay of the commissioned officers so as aforesaid appointed shall be the same as the pay of officers of corresponding rank under the military establishment of the United States; and there shall be allowed to such of the militia as shall be engaged as aforesaid the sum of eight dollars per month to each sergeant, seven dollars per month to each corporal, six dollars and sixty-seven cents per month to each private and musician; and there shall also be allowed to each of them at the time of entering into the service as aforesaid, in advance and as an addition to their pay, the sum of six dollars; which pay to the said officers and privates shall be in lieu of the pay allowed by the United States.

[Section IV.] (Section IV, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That there shall be allowed to the militia, who shall be drafted and perform their tour of duty, the same monthly pay and additional allowance as those who are engaged by the governor in pursuance of this act.

[Section V.] (Section V, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the governor to appoint a surgeon and quartermaster for each volunteer troop of horse, who may offer their service in the

militia engaged for the suppression of the aforesaid insurrection, if he shall deem it necessary, and the said surgeons and quartermasters shall be entitled to the same pay and rations as surgeons and quartermasters in the service of the United States.

[Section VI.] (Section VI, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars be appropriated for providing the necessary arms and ammunition, and for defraying the other necessary incidental expenses for carrying into effect the objects of this act; which sums shall be paid by the state treasurer upon the warrants of the governor, out of the funds appropriated by law to pay the expenses of government; and an account of the disbursements thereof shall be exhibited to the officers of account, for examination and settlement, as in other cases, with like appeals as directed by an act of the general assembly entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of public accounts, and for other purposes therein mentioned"¹; and the governor shall cause a statement thereof to be laid before the general assembly at the next ensuing session.

¹Chapter 1696.

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¹Passed April 4, 1792, Chapter 1627.

CHAPTER MDCCLXXX.

AN ACT ENABLING CERTAIN FREEMEN OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND TO VOTE AT THE FIRST ELECTION DISTRICT, AT THEIR NEXT GENERAL ELECTION.

Whereas by the proclamation of the honorable judges of the supreme court it is directed that a court of nisi prius shall be holden in the county of Northumberland, on the thirteenth day of October next, which will interfere with the time of holding the general election, and unless some provision is made to enable such persons as may be necessarily attending the said court