

sylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the act, entitled, “An act to extend the powers of the justices of the peace in this state,” passed the nineteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, ¹ except so far as the same has been since altered or supplied, be, and the same is hereby, continued in force until the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and three, and from thence to the end of the next session of the general assembly, and no longer.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the powers of the said justices, and of the alderman and aldermens’ court, shall be extended to all cases of rent not exceeding twenty pounds, so far as to compel the landlord to defalcate, or set off the just account of the tenant out of the same, but the landlord may waive further proceedings before the justice or aldermen, and distrain in the usual manner for the balance so settled; but if any landlord shall be convicted, after such waiver, in any court of record, of distraining for and selling more than to the amount of such balance, and of detaining the surplus, he shall forfeit to the tenant four times the amount of the sum detained.

Passed April 4, 1798. Recorded L. B. No. 6, p. 274, etc. See Chapter 1754, and note to Chapter 365. The second section of the Act in the text was repealed by the Act of March 1, 1799, Chapter 2025.

CHAPTER MCMXCVI.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR PATENTING LANDS.

[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 act, entitled, “An act to ex-

¹Chapter 1754.

tend the time of patenting lands," passed on the twenty-first day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, and all matters and things therein contained, shall be, and the same hereby is, further extended unto the last day of December, which will be in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, and from thence to the end of the next session of the general assembly.

Passed April 4, 1798. Recorded L. B. No. 6, p. 274.

CHAPTER MCMXCVII.

AN ACT TO RE-ENACT CERTAIN LAWS RELATIVE TO COUNTY RATES AND LEVIES.

[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 several acts of assembly relative to county rates and levies, which were in force on the first day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, are hereby re-enacted, and shall continue in force until the first day of December, one thousand eight hundred, and from thence to the end of the next session of the general assembly and no longer.

Passed April 4, 1798. Recorded L. B. No. 6, p. 283. See note to Act of March 20, 1724-25, Chapter 284. See also Act of April 17, 1795, Chapter 1852; and the repealing Act of April 11, 1799, Chapter 2095.

CHAPTER MCMXCVIII.

AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS AS WELL AS FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED.

[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