

CHAPTER CVIII.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, intituled, An act for establishing an Health Office, and to secure the City and Port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious Diseases.

Section 1. **B**E 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 no person or persons, goods, wares, merchandize, bedding or clothing from any port or place at which any malignant or contagious disease (the small pox or measles excepted) prevailed at the time of their departure, or from on board any vessel in which any such disease existed while they were on board, shall enter or be brought into the city or county of Philadelphia, at any time between the first day of May and the first day of November in any year, by land or water, without the permission of the board of health first had and obtained, under the penalty of any sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, for each and every offence, and the forfeiture of all such goods, wares, merchandize, bedding and clothing, to be recovered and appropriated as directed by the nineteenth section of the act, to which this is a supplement.

Penalty on bringing into the city or county of Philadelphia, goods, &c. from any place infected with malignant disease, &c. between the 1st days of May and November, without permission of the board of health first obtained.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That whenever the board of health shall receive information that any malignant or contagious disease (the small pox and measles excepted) prevails in any port or place within the United States, or on the continent of America, they shall make diligent enquiry concerning

Duty of the board, on receiving information of the prevalence of malignant or contagious disease in any

concerning the same, and if it shall appear that the disease prevails as aforesaid, all communication with such infected port or place, shall be subject to such control and regulations as the board of health may from time to time think proper to direct, and publish in one or more of the newspapers published in the city of Philadelphia, and thereupon every person or persons, and all goods, wares, merchandize, bedding and clothing, from such infected port or place, and having entered or been brought into the city or county of Philadelphia, contrary to such regulations, shall be subject to the penalties and forfeitures provided by the first section of this act; and all vessels from such port or place, and bound to the port of Philadelphia, shall stop at the lazaretto and be proceeded with in the same manner, and under the same penalties and forfeitures as are provided in cases of vessels coming from foreign ports; and every person or persons, having entered, or been brought into the city, or county of Philadelphia, from such infected port or place aforesaid, shall also be conveyed by any person authorized by the said board, to such place, for purification, as the said board may appoint or direct for that purpose, and be there detained at the pleasure of the board, any time not exceeding twenty days, and at the expence of such person; and if the said board shall have cause to suspect that any person or persons at the time within the city and county of Philadelphia, have been at such infected port or place, since such disease prevailed at such port or place, and within fifteen days next preceding, the said board may lawfully require such person or persons to render satisfactory proof of their place or places of abode during the said period; and if such person or persons neglect

place within
the United
States.

Vessels coming from infected ports within the United States to be subject to the same treatment as vessels coming from foreign ports, &c.

glect or refuse to render such proof, or fail in proving their residence, other than at such infected port or place, every such person shall be dealt with by purification and detention, as persons coming from such infected port or place.

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.

CHAPTER CIX.

An ACT to authorise the proprietor or proprietors of the Conewago Canal to receive a Toll from the boats, rafts and vessels passing the same.

Section 1. **B**E 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 proprietor or proprietors of the Conewago canal shall keep and maintain, in good order and repair, the said canal, locks and appurtenances, and shall employ a skilful person or persons to superintend the same, and assist all and every person who may

The proprietors of the Conewago canal to keep the same in good repair, and to employ a superintendant