and accepted by the courts as a good witness against the writer or writers of such publication or hand-bill; and if the faid printer or printers when summoned before the court, shall refuse to give up the writers' name or names, the court shall consider him or them as the author or authors thereof, and proceed to punish him or them accordingly.

Sec. 6. And be it further enacted by the au-Repeal of for- thority aforefaid, That any law or laws which mer laws hereby altered or fupplied, be, and the same supplied. are hereby repealed.

CHARLES PORTER, Speaker

of the House of Representatives.

JAMES BRADY, Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the thirty-first day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fix.

THOMAS M'KEAN.

## CHAPTER CCVI.

An ACT making appropriations and for other purposes therein mentioned.

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 for the payment of the debts

debts and expenses hereinafter mentioned, there Appropriate is hereby appropriated out of the funds for the tions for the funds for the year, 1806. support of government, the following sums, to Specification of wit: the fum of twelve hundred dollars, for the the objects. redemption of certificates issued under the act, entitled, " An act to provide for the fettlement of the public accounts, and for other purpofes therein mentioned," passed the fourth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninetytwo; the fum of three thousand dollars, for the contingent expenses of the executive department for one year, from the first day of April, in the present year; the sum of one thousand dollars, for the payment of the counsel employed in the case of Springetsbury manor, in the county of York, by a refolution passed the present Session; and the sum of twenty-eight hundred dollars to be disposed of as follows: fix hundred dollars, part thereof, for the payment of an extra clerk in the office of the register-general; one thousand dollars for the payment of an extra clerk, in the office of the fecretary of the land office; fix hundred dollars for the payment of an extra clerk, in the office of the furveyor-general, and the remaining fix hundred dollars, for the payment of one clerk, to bring up the books in the office of the receiver-general of the land office, which clerk shall be employed entirely for that purpose; and the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars, to the fecretary of the commonwealth, to pay for certified copies of written evidences taken at Meadvill, agreeably to a refolution passed during the present session.

Sec. 2. And whereas disputes have arisen between the Pennsylvania claimants, respecting their titles to some parts of the lands embraced by the act, passed the fourth day of April, one thoufand

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fand feven hundred and ninety-nine, and the feveral supplements thereto, and in consequence of fuch disputes, many of the certificates to be iffued under the faid acts, have not and probably will not foon iffue: And whereas there is a fufficiency of money in the treasury, to pay and discharge the debts incurred on the part of the State, by virtue of the aforefaid acts, and it being unreasonable that the State should pay interest on a debt which it is thus ready and willing to

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hereafter to be pay: Therefore, Be it further enacted by the allowed to the authority aforesaid, That no interest shall hereafter accrue on the debts due from the State to Pennsylvania claimants, by virtue of the act; passed the fourth day of April, one thousand feven hundred and ninety-nine, or by virtue of any supplement, passed to the aforesaid act.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted by the au-The Treasurer to pay the fore- thority aforesaid, That all the monies hereby appropriated shall be paid by the treasurer on wargoing appropriations on rants drawn by the Governor, under the same warrants drawn by the regulations and restrictions, as are directed by Governor. the laws in other cases.

## CHARLES PORTER, Speaker

of the House of Representatives.

JAMES BRADY, Speaker

of the Senate.

Approved—the thirty-first day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fix.

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