CHAPTER 159.

THE LAW ABOUT SICKLEY VESSELS COMING INTO THIS GOVERNMENT.

Whereas it hath been found by sad experience that the coming & arriving of unhealthie vessels att the ports & towns of this province & territories & the landing of their passengers & goods before they have lyen Some time to be purified hath proved verie detrimental to the health of the Inhabitants of this government Be it therefore enacted by the authorie aforesaid that from & after the publication hereof no unheathie or sickly vessels coming from any unhealthie or Sickly place whatsoever shall come nearer than one mile to any any of the towns or ports of this province & territories without bills of health nor shall presume to bring to shoare Such vessels nor to Land Such passengers or their goods att any of the said ports or places until Such time as they Shall Obtain a License for the Landing att Philadelphia from the Governor and Council and from any two Justices of the Peace att the other ports or Counties of this Province & territories Under the penaltie of one hundred pounds for everie Such Unhealthy vessel so Landing as aforesaid to the use of the Governour, and that favorable provision be ordered by the Governor and Council for their reception if they Shall be permitted to Land or come on shoar.

A.P.S., Original Laws of Pennsylvania from 1693 to 1700, f. 221. Act of June 7, 1700, No.6. Also P.H.M.C., Archives. See Vol. II St.L. 80, ch. LXII.

CHAPTER 160.

THE LAW FOR RAISING ONE PENNY PER POUND & SIX SHILLINGS PER HEAD FOR PAYMENT OF THE PUBLICK DEBTS OF THE PROVINCE.

Whereby divers publick debts are owing by the government that in Justice ought to be paid Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that a rate of One penny per pound and Six Shillings per head be Levied, raised & payd out of the real & personal estates of the