

be received from him by the treasurer of this commonwealth in payment for the sum or sums therein specified.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) Provided always, and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said justices and freeholders shall not be empowered to allow more than at the rate of twelve pounds for each year which such servant may have had to serve; nor more than at the rate of eight pounds for each year which such apprentice may have had to serve at the time of such enlistment, proper regard being always had for freedom dues, and other allowances specified in the indentures or other agreements.

[Section III.] (Section IV, P. L.) And provided also, That no master shall receive any compensation for the loss of his servant or apprentice, who shall not have taken the oath or affirmation of allegiance to this state at the time of his application to the justice.

Passed March 12, 1778.

CHAPTER DCCLXXXVI.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO DISCOURAGE DESERTION AND TO PUNISH ALL SUCH PERSONS AS SHALL HARBOR OR CONCEAL DESERTERS." ¹

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas by an act of general assembly of this commonwealth for the apprehending deserters from the armies of the United States of America, twenty shillings reward was granted, additional to the reward ordered by Congress, to every person for each deserter which they should apprehend and secure within this state: Yet notwithstanding it may be necessary for the benefit of the United States and for hastening [the] to [sic] completion of the quota of troops for this state, to give still further encouragement:

Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it enacted, and it is hereby

¹ Passed February 20, 1777, Chapter 744.

enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That from and after the publication of this act, any person who shall apprehend any deserter from any of the regiments of the quota of this state, and carry him before some justice of the peace of the county, and upon proof being made of his being such a deserter, shall then deliver him safely to some secure gaol in this state, or to some continental commissioned officer belonging to the quota of Pennsylvania; which said gaoler or officer shall give to the person so apprehending a receipt or certificate, specifying the same, which said receipt or certificate, besides entitling the said apprehender to the reward appointed by Congress, shall also exempt him from two months actual service in the militia, or any fine in lieu thereof.

Passed March 12, 1778. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed February 20, 1777, Chapter 744.

CHAPTER DCCLXXXVII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE REGULATING OF WAGONS, CARRIAGES, AND PACK-HORSES FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE." 1

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas by an act of general assembly of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act for the regulating wagons, carriages, and pack-horses, for the public service," it is directed that the wagon service be performed in rotation:

And whereas the time of the tour of duty to be performed by the wagons or teams respectively called into the service by virtue of the act, to which this act is a supplement is not limited, by reason whereof discontent and desertion may ensue:

For remedy whereof:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Com-

¹ Passed January 2, 1778, Chapter 780.