

of the respective departments from whom payment is due, or to their agents in the city of Philadelphia, and shall take receipts from the said principals or from their agents, making their principals accountable for the amount of the notes or certificates paid in as aforesaid, with the interest thereon allowed and due, and shall lodge the same with the board of treasury that this state may have proper credit for the same.

Passed May 30, 1780. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 1, 1780, Chapter 882. The Act in the text was repealed by the Act of Assembly passed April 13, 1782, Chapter 970. Recorded L. B. No. 1, p. 391, &c.

CHAPTER CMX.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR REGULATING AND CONTINUING THE NIGHTLY WATCH, ENLIGHTENING THE STREETS, LANES AND ALLEYS IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED;¹ AND TO AN ACT WHICH IS A SUPPLEMENT THERETO,² PASSED IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIX.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas, by an act as a further supplement to the aforesaid acts of general assembly, passed the fifth day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine, by reason of the increase of watchmen and workmen's wages, excessive high price of oil and materials, it was found expedient and necessary that further provision should be made to enable the wardens and assessors of the city of Philadelphia to raise and levy an additional tax not exceeding six pence in the pound on the inhabitants and on all the estates, real and personal, and to authorize their treasurer to receive the rents and income of the market houses, ferries, wharves and public landing places, within the bounds and limits of the said city, to the end the difficulties under which the wardens then labored might be in some measure removed

¹ Passed March 9, 1771, Chapter 636.

² Passed April 6, 1776, Chapter 719.

and the nightly watch so necessary might be kept up and continued; and as the said recited act expires with the present sitting of the general assembly the same difficulties would again occur:

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 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act it shall and may be lawful for the wardens of the said city to let or demise the market houses, ferries, wharves and public landing places, and they with the assessors of the said city, to raise and levy an additional rate not exceeding sixpence in the pound on the inhabitants and on all estates real and personal and taxables within the city of Philadelphia, to be levied and collected in the same manner, by the same persons and for the same uses as directed in and by two several acts of general assembly, the one passed the ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, and the other passed the sixth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six, for regulating and continuing the nightly watch, enlightening the streets, lanes and alleys of the city of Philadelphia and for other purposes therein mentioned, over and above the rates and sums of money thereby authorized to be raised, levied and collected; and to authorize their treasurer to receive the rents of the market houses, ferries, wharves and public landing places and all other the income, fines, forfeitures and emoluments which were formerly received by the treasurer or the mayor and commonalty of the city of Philadelphia.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the clerk of the market for the time being shall collect the rents of the market houses, stalls and stands in the market places as they become due quarterly, and in arrear, and after deducting the costs and charges of repair (to be allowed of by the said wardens) and his accustomed fees for collecting shall pay the overplus, together with the moneys already collected for rent and in his hands to the treasurer of the wardens and assessors for the time being (whose receipt,

which he is hereby required to give, shall be a sufficient discharge for any sum of money so paid), under such penalty as the city court of the city of Philadelphia shall judge proper to inflict.

[Section III.] (Section IV, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the owners and occupiers of the several ferries, wharves and public landing places within the said city shall, from time to time, pay their respective rents as they become due to the treasurer of the wardens and assessors of the city of Philadelphia for the time being (whose receipt, which he is hereby required to give, shall be a sufficient discharge to him or them for the sum of money so paid), under the penalty of treble the amount of the said rents for every neglect or refusal.

[Section IV.] (Section V, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That every other person who shall have or receive or get into his custody or possession any moneys in virtue of this act and neglect or refuse to pay the same to the treasurer of the wardens and assessors within ten days such person shall for every neglect or refusal, forfeit and pay after the same shall come into his custody or possession, every treble the amount of such suum or sums of money so by him collected and received, and the said treasurer is hereby required to give receipts for the moneys so by him received, whose receipt shall be a sufficient discharge to the persons paying the same.

[Section V.] (Section VI, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the moneys which shall be received by the treasurer of the wardens and assessors aforesaid by virtue of this act and the act to which this is a supplement, shall be disposed of by the wardens, or a majority of them, and applied to the same uses and purposes as mentioned and specified in an act of general assembly passed the ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, entitled "An act for regulating and continuing the nightly watch, enlightening the streets, lanes and alleys of the city of Philadelphia, and for other purposes therein mentioned."¹

¹ Ante.

[Section VI.] (Section VII, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the wardens of the city of Philadelphia for the time being are hereby empowered to purchase a lot of ground on the north side of Sassafras street, adjoining the public wharf at the end of the said street on the river Delaware, in the said city, and to take a deed or deeds for the same in their names as wardens for the use of the city of Philadelphia, to be annexed to and made use of as a public wharf at the end of the said street for such estate and estates, term or time as the same can or may be legally granted and conveyed.

[Section VII.] (Section VIII, P. L.) Provided always and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That nothing in this act shall extend or be construed to extend to the estate and interest formerly held by the corporation of the city of Philadelphia, usually called the middle ferry on Schuylkill, for the space of one year from the first day of May, one thousand seven hundred and eighty, to the first day of May, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one, unless the wardens of the said city shall undertake and engage with the president or vice-president in council to keep and maintain, at their own expense, the bridge now erected over Schuylkill in good repair for the passage of men, horses and carriages during the said term.

[Section IX, P. L.) And provided also, That nothing herein contained shall extend to the annulling or making void any contract or engagement made by the authority of the supreme executive council with the quartermaster general of the United States for the passage of men, horses or carriages in the immediate service of the United States.

Passed May 30, 1780. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 9, 1771, Chapter 636. Recorded L. B. No. 1, p. 393, &c.