

be paid to the said Sarah Caldwell or her legal representatives shall, as often as it shall be so paid, be deemed and taken and it is hereby declared to be to the same uses as she held the said certificates immediately before the said loss thereof. And the said Sarah Caldwell and such her legal representatives who may receive such interest money shall be accountable to the person or persons respectively who had any legal or equitable interest in the said certificates or in any of them for his, her or their proportional parts of such interest money.

Passed October 4, 1788. Recorded L. B. No. 3, p. 440. See the Act of Assembly passed September 30, 1791, Chapter 1591.

CHAPTER MCCCLXXXII.

AN ACT TO ENABLE SUCH PERSONS WITHIN THIS STATE WHO ARE ENTITLED TO VOTE IN THE ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THIS STATE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES AND WHO SHALL BE NECESSARILY OUT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS AT THE ENSUING ELECTION, TO GIVE THEIR VOTES IN THE SEVERAL PLACES WHERE PUBLIC BUSINESS SHALL REQUIRE THEIR ATTENDANCE.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas by an act of assembly passed the fourth day of October last past entitled, "An act for directing the time places and manner of holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States and for appointing electors on the part of this state for choosing a president and vice-president of the United States,"¹ the inhabitants of this state who are or shall be qualified as therein is mentioned are authorized to elect representatives of and for this state in the congress of the United States, at the places of holding the district elections wherein they severally reside:

And whereas the time of holding the said election is the same when the county courts of Chester and Northumberland counties are by law to be held and those persons who are bound by recognizance, summoned as jurymen, subpoenaed as wit-

¹ Chapter 1373.

nesses or have occasion to attend such courts as officers thereof or as parties to suits or otherwise, and the members of the supreme executive council and the general assembly of this commonwealth cannot go to the several places appointed for the election aforesaid and at the same time attend at the other places where their duty requires their appearance and it is reasonable to allow persons necessarily absent from the places of district elections and opportunity of giving their voices in this general election:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it therefore 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 it shall and may be lawful for every person who by law is or shall be entitled to vote under the said recited act of assembly in the choice of representatives of the state of Pennsylvania in the congress of the United States, who resides in the county of Chester or Northumberland or who shall attend either of said courts as an officer thereof or as parties or witnesses or who being a member of the supreme executive council or general assembly of this commonwealth, and who at the time of holding such election for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States shall attend at the place of holding the said county courts or either of them or at the city of Philadelphia in prosecution of public business, to give in his vote or ballot for the choice of representatives of this state in the congress of the United States at the place of holding such courts in the said counties of Chester and Northumberland and in the city of Philadelphia in the same manner and under the same regulations as if he were to deliver such vote or ballot at the place or places appointed for holding elections within the district or districts whereof he is a resident.

[Section II.] Provided always nevertheless, That every person who shall offer a vote at any of the places appointed for holding such elections and not residing within such election district shall, before such vote shall be received, make oath or

affirmation (besides other oaths and affirmations requisite to entitle him to vote) that he hath not voted in such election at any other place for members of the house of representatives in the congress of the United States and that he will not afterwards vote in any other place at the election before mentioned.

Passed November [September] 13, 1788. Recorded L. B. No. 3, p.

442.

CHAPTER MCCCLXXXIII.

AN ACT TO SUSPEND FOR A LIMITED TIME THE COLLECTION OF ALL MILITIA FINES INCURRED UNDER LAWS PASSED BEFORE THE TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF MARCH ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-EIGHT.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas complaints have been made that the collectors of militia fines incurred under the former systems frequently abuse the power given them of proceeding against delinquents by distress, whereby property far beyond the sums due is, by bad or collusive sales, lost to the owners, as much to the disreputation of government as it is to the injury of individuals, and as the strict exaction of fines long accumulating may in many cases prove highly oppressive and grievous, it is thought proper that the collection of the fines aforesaid should be discontinued until the legislature can institute an inquiry into the abuses so complained of and apply some effectual remedy thereto and also determine as to the proper subjects of exoneration from the fines now due:

[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 until the first day of September which will be in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine no collector or collectors or other person or persons shall proceed by distress or otherwise for the recovery of any fine or fines incurred under