

L A W S of M A R Y L A N D.

C H A P. XVIII.

An ACT for the relief of certain nonjurors.

C H A P. XIX.

An ACT to enable Conrod Theodore Wederstrandt to draw orders as therein mentioned.

C H A P. XX.

An ACT to direct the recording and to give effect to a deed made by Philip Read and Anne his wife, of Saint-Mary's county, to George Medley. *PR.*

C H A P. XXI.

An ACT to procure a supply of salt meat for the use of the army.

The executive is authorized to appoint persons to purchase bacon, salted pork and beef in barrels, in the manner prescribed by those laws which give extraordinary powers for procuring provisions of the bread kind. And if any of these articles be engrossed, they are forfeited to the state, and may be seized under a warrant.

C H A P. XXII.

An ACT to encourage the raising a volunteer troop of light-horse in Baltimore-town and each county of this state.

Allowing any number of militia-men, not exceeding 45, nor under 15, in Baltimore-town, or in any of the counties, to form themselves into a troop of light-horse, provided that each man shall find his own arms, horse and furniture. They shall be commanded by officers commissioned on their recommendation, to be allowed, when in service, the same rations, pay and forage, as are allowed to the continental light-horse, to be still under the militia rules, and, in case of invasion, to act under the directions of the executive, in any part of the state.

C H A P. XXIII.

An ACT, entitled, A Supplement to the act to procure recruits to complete the battalions of this state in the service of the United States, and to raise an additional regiment, if necessary.

C H A P. XXIV.

An ACT to enable the treasurer of the western shore to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for an emission of bills of credit, if necessary.

The western shore treasurer is authorized to draw to the amount of £. 30,000 sterling on the old and the new trustees of the bank stock in England, and to sell his bills for specie, at the rate of not less than £. 166 13 4 for £. 100 sterling, or for continental, at the rate of not less than £. 75 for £. 1 sterling. And the continental money, which he shall receive, he is to exchange for the new bills, to be emitted, provided they shall be in the treasury. He is directed, likewise, to draw to the amount of £. 5,000 sterling to such persons as the executive shall direct, for the purpose of purchasing, in Europe, or the West-Indies, necessaries for the army, and salt for the public.

In case the old trustees refuse to act, or shall protest the bills, or the British government shall interfere, the proprietors of such bills shall receive the amount in specie, or in bills of credit to the value of specie, with 15 per cent. damages, and the charges of protest. And if the former trustees, having protested or declined to discharge the said bills, have the bank stock still under their care, or have not delivered it to any of the trustees lately appointed, any proprietor of one of those bills is entitled to an attachment against the property, real and personal, within this state, of Osgood Hanbury, Sylvanus Grove, James Russell, Henry Harford, or the representative of the late Lord Baltimore.

But in case the treasurer shall not be able to dispose of his bills as aforesaid, within thirty days from the passage of this act, the governor and council are authorized to direct bills of credit to be emitted, to the amount of the balance of the said £. 30,000 sterling, to defray the expences of government; these bills shall be redeemable on or before the 1st of May, 1786, in specie, or in bills of exchange, payable in Europe at 40 days sight. The bank stock, or the money arising from the sale thereof, if sold, in virtue of the act of November, 1779, ch. 38, or, if that cannot be had, so much of any British property within the state as may be necessary, is pledged for the redemption of this emission, which is to be a legal tender in the same manner as the bills to be emitted under the 8th act of this session.

C H A P. XXV.

An ACT to procure an extra supply of provisions of the bread kind, also waggons and horses, for the use of the continental army.

The provisions contained in this act are for the most part suitable to its title. The most important is the following:

Nonjuror
finding a wag-
gon, &c. dis-
charged from
paying the
treble tax, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That if any nonjuror, whose property on the list of assessment doth not exceed four thousand pounds, shall and will furnish a good waggon, with harness and geers complete, and deliver or cause to be delivered the same, on or before the tenth day of August next, to the person appointed to procure waggons in his county, such nonjuror and his estate shall for ever thereafter be discharged from the payment of any treble tax, and all other disabilities imposed