

posed on nonjurors, except holding any office of trust, or voting at any election, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding; and in case any such nonjuror shall choose rather to furnish, as aforesaid, a waggon with harness and geers complete, and four horses with a driver, to serve during the campaign, such nonjuror shall have his election to furnish the same, and be entitled to the above exemption and privileges; and if any such nonjuror will furnish a good, strong, serviceable horse, of the value of a 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 horses in his county, he shall be entitled to the exemption and privileges aforesaid.

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An ACT to expedite the raising an additional battalion of regulars.

C H A P. XXVII.

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

BE it enacted, That if any two or more nonjurors, whose assessments together do not exceed four thousand pounds, shall, by the tenth day of August next, find and deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the person appointed to procure waggons or horses in his county, a good waggon; and geers and harness, or an able horse of the value of a good waggon, geers and harness, for the use of this state, or shall furnish a good waggon, geers and harness, with four horses and a driver, for the present campaign, such nonjurors shall be thereafter discharged from the payment of the treble tax, and shall be thenceforward relieved from all disabilities imposed on nonjurors, except holding any office of profit or trust, or voting at any election.

Two nonjurors delivering a waggon, &c. discharged from treble tax, &c.

H. And be it enacted, That if any nonjuror, whose assessment amounts to more than four thousand pounds, and does not exceed eight thousand pounds, shall, on or before the day aforesaid, deliver as aforesaid, two good waggons, with harness and geers complete, or two good able waggon horses, for the use of this state, or shall furnish two good waggons, with geers and harness complete, and eight waggon horses and two drivers, for the present campaign, such nonjurors shall be entitled to the exemption and relief from disabilities as aforesaid; and every nonjuror, whose assessment amounts to eight thousand pounds, and does not exceed twelve thousand pounds, delivering or furnishing waggons or horses in the proportion aforesaid, and every nonjuror, whose assessment exceeds twelve thousand pounds, delivering or furnishing waggons and harness, horses and drivers, in the proportion aforesaid, by the time aforesaid, shall be entitled to the exemption and relief from disabilities as aforesaid, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Any nonjuror, &c. discharged from the treble tax on finding waggons, &c.

C H A P. XXVIII.

An ACT relating to loans in specie, tenders for debts and contracts in future, and the establishment of a bank for public purposes.

BE it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland, That all debts or promises hereafter contracted or made for gold or silver actually and *bona fide* lent, and so expressed in any bond, note, or other instrument in writing, shall be paid in gold or silver, according to the contract and the meaning of the parties, any law to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

Contracts to be made for gold, &c. shall be paid, &c.

II. Provided always, That the creditor, at the time of the loan, or within three months thereafter, shall, on the bond, note, or other writing, endorse and sign, in the presence of one or more of the witnesses to the contract, that the bond, note, or other writing, was taken for specie lent.

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III. And provided also, That the creditor, in case of difference about the consideration, shall make oath (or affirmation) that the bond, note, or other writing, was taken for specie actually and *bona fide* lent, and for no other account or con-

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