

C H A P. XXXIV.

A Supplement to the act for the defence of the bay.

The executive are empowered, at discretion, to purchase a certain galley in Baltimore-town, and to have a second galley built, both of which shall be completely fitted and manned, and employed agreeably to their direction; but when not in actual service, these galleys are to be unrigged and laid up, under the care of a proper person. The executive are also authorized to procure, fit and man, any number of barges not exceeding eight; and for these purposes, and for other means of defending the state, they are allowed to appropriate £. 26,666 13 4 of the new bills about to be emitted.

C H A P. XXXV.

A Supplement to the act to settle and adjust the accounts of the troops of this state in the service of the United States, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Preamble.

WHEREAS doubts have been entertained by the commissioner appointed to settle and adjust the accounts of the troops of this state with respect to the time to which the said depreciation should be carried:

How sums received since July, are to be settled, &c.

II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That the said commissioner shall adjust the accounts of the troops of this state, and settle for all sums of money received since the month of July last, according to the table of depreciation contained in the act to adjust the debts due from this state.

Certificates to bear interest from Aug. 1, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioner appointed, or to be appointed, in virtue of the said act shall, in such certificates as he shall hereafter make, certify that the money due bears interest at the rate of six *per cent. per annum*, from the first day of August, seventeen hundred and eighty; and the said commissioner is also to certify under his hand, if required, on any certificate already granted by him, and produced to him for that purpose, that the interest thereon commences from the first day of August aforesaid.

Officers, &c. esteemed part of the quota of this state, &c.

IV. *And be it enacted, and it is hereby declared,* That all officers and men in service, who are esteemed and allowed by the acts of congress as part of the quota of this state of the continental troops, and no others, shall be allowed by the said commissioner as the officers and soldiers of the troops of this state within the intent of the said act.

Persons re-enlisting to be allowed, &c.

V. *And,* whereas many persons, who served as non-commissioned officers and privates in the quota of this state of the continental army for one year or more, on the expiration of the time for which they enlisted have either been advanced to be commissioned officers, or have enlisted in the quota of this state, and now are, or at the time of passing the said act were, in the quota of this state, or hereafter may enter into the service for three years or during the war: *Be it enacted,* That any such person shall be allowed for the depreciation of his pay which arose in the time of his service aforesaid, as if such person had entered as a recruit, according to the act of the last session to procure recruits; and that in the settlement of the account of the officers and soldiers of the troops of this state, within the intent of the said first mentioned act, the same act shall be taken to commence on the second day of February, seventeen hundred and eighty-one.

How the price of cloathing is to be settled, &c.

VI. *And be it enacted,* That in the settlement of the price of any cloathing chargeable to any of the said officers or men, whether furnished by this or the United States, the commissioner shall charge the same at the price the like cloathing or goods sold for on the seventh day of October, seventeen hundred and seventy-six, but not to exceed the current price of such goods in times of peace, with fifty *per cent.* added thereto.

Some of the medical department, &c.

VII. *And,* whereas inhabitants of this state of the medical department, not attached to the line or quota of troops of any state, are not included in the act to settle and adjust the accounts of the troops, and are recommended by congress to be provided for by this state; *Be it enacted,* That the said commissioner shall settle and adjust the accounts of such officers of the medical department, according to the scale of depreciation by this and the former act.

VIII. *And,*