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considered a British subject within the intent of this act; and in case any person who hath left this state with leave of any committee of observation, or the council of safety, and gone to Great-Britain, or any of the dominions of the crown thereof, shall be disabled by age or infirmity from returning, he may, at any time before the said first day of March, convey or dispose of any of his property within this state to any subject thereof; and in case either of the said persons who hath left this state, or who was born within it, and was, before the said thirtieth day of April, in Great-Britain, or any part of the British dominions, and since resided there as aforesaid, shall return into this state, and take the oath or affirmation of fidelity and support aforesaid, (thereby entitling himself to the benefit of a subject from the time of the revolution, which took place on the fourth day of July, seventeen hundred and seventy-six,) shall be answerable and triable as a subject of this state, for any act done by him since the said last mentioned day.

Proviso.

V. PROVIDED, AND BE IT ENACTED, That the property of any of the said persons, which by law is chargeable with the treble tax, shall continue chargeable therefor.

Proviso.

VI. PROVIDED, That the property of Horatio Sharpe, Esquire, within this state, shall not be seized or confiscated in consequence of this act, if he shall return to this state on or before the first day of March, seventeen hundred and eighty-two, and within one month thereafter take and subscribe the oath of fidelity and support to this state, or dispose of his property aforesaid on or before the first day of March, to some subject of this or some other of the United States; and provided, that the property of Mistress Anne Ogle shall not be seized or confiscated in consequence of this act; and provided also, that all such British subjects who may have manifested their attachment to this state by affirmative acts of friendship, shall be excepted out of this act, and on application to the general assembly, by petition, their property, or the value thereof, shall be restored to them, provided such application be made on or before the first day of March, seventeen hundred and eighty-two.

Furnace, &c.
appropriated,
&c.

VII. AND, whereas Osgood Hanbury, Sylvanus Grove and James Russell, trustees of the bank stock of this state in the funds of Great-Britain, are British subjects, and have refused to pay the bills of exchange drawn on them in pursuance of the 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, and it being known to this general assembly, that the said James Russell, and the other owners and partners with the said James Russell, in the iron-works, lands and stock, herein after mentioned, are British subjects, within the description and intent of this act, and this general assembly being desirous to appropriate a special and sufficient fund for redeeming and sinking the said bills of credit emitted in virtue of the said act; BE IT ENACTED, That the iron furnace, commonly called the White Marsh furnace, and the forges, commonly called the Long-Calm forge, in Baltimore county, belonging to the said James Russell and company, and all the lands and stock, real, personal or mixed, belonging to them in company or partnership, within this state, shall be and are hereby appropriated and set apart as a fund for making good and sinking the said bills of credit and the interest due or to become due on the same, and that the same shall be managed and disposed of as the legislature shall direct; and in case it should happen that the debts due to the said James Russell and company, together with their other property in this state, in their respective or collective capacity, shall not be sufficient to pay and satisfy the debts due from them respectively, or as a company, to the subjects of this state, the legislature will immediately, on its being made appear, appropriate sufficient effects of the other British subjects, as far as the value of the said iron-works, lands and stock, or the shares and interest of such of them whose other property may be deficient, for the satisfaction of the debts due to the subjects of this state, and which may then remain unsatisfied.

Creditors in-
demnified, &c.

VIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the subjects of this state, who are creditors of British subjects, shall be indemnified out of the effects of their individual debtors, and the citizens of this state (who have taken the oath or affirmation of fidelity and support thereto, and have manifested their attachment to the present government, by exerting themselves in support of the independence of America,) shall be fully paid and indemnified, so far as their British debtor or debtors is or are solvent, out of the British property seized and confiscated in consequence of this act.

No remittances
to be made, &c.

IX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no payments or remittances whatsoever shall be made by any subject of this state to any subject of Great-Britain, or any person in the British dominions, unless by the parent or guardian of any child who may be in any part of the British dominions for his education, and in such case so much only as may be necessary to defray the expences of removing such child out of the British dominions, or by the husband or father, for the support of his wife or children till they can be removed.

X. AND,