

the Annapolis and Baltimore newspapers of the proportion *per centum* to be paid in on subscriptions, which shall be paid to the treasurer of the western shore on or before the first day of November, seventeen hundred and eighty-four; and if any subscriber shall not pay in his proportion on or before that day, then shall the treasurer of the western shore, as soon as may be, make a fair copy of the particular of the party, and certify thereon, under his hand and seal, the sum subscribed and the sum due, and direct the sheriff of the county where the land lies to raise the same by sale of sufficient part of the land; and the sheriff shall, immediately on receipt thereof, set up a copy at the courthouse door, mentioning in the said copy the time he will proceed to the sale, which shall not be less than ten or more than twenty days from the time of his advertisement, and shall accordingly proceed to sell so much of the land or estate for ready money, in specie or the said bills of credit, as will pay the said proportion; and the several sheriffs shall pay into the treasury of the western shore all money they may respectively levy, receive, or be chargeable for, under the said executions or orders, within fifteen days after they shall have levied, received, or become chargeable for the same, under the penalty of double the sum they ought so to have paid.

XXIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That every subscriber who pays in his subscription, or any part thereof, or on whose estate the same shall be levied, shall be entitled to and receive from the public the principal money paid or levied, in specie, at the rate aforesaid, with interest of eight *per cent.* thereon from the time the same comes into the treasurer's hands, till payment; and this general assembly do hereby declare, and pledge the public faith, that all the said bills of credit, and receipts given to the possessors of the said bills, who shall carry the same in as aforesaid, shall be fully redeemed and satisfied on or before the twenty-fifth day of June, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, according to the purport of the said bills and receipts, and that sure and effectual funds shall be established to pay all interest which may become due to subscribers by the twenty-ninth day of September, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, at farthest, and the yearly interest at least, as it may afterwards arise, and the principal as soon as may be; and that if the circumstances and condition of this state will permit, the payment of interest and principal shall be speedier, or even any advance, if it can be prevented.

Subscribers to receive specie, &c.

The taxes and duties imposed and appropriated for the redemption of the bills of credit emitted by this act, are repealed by November, 1782, ch. 29, but the arrears then due were to be collected as before.

C H A P. XXIV.

An ACT to ascertain officers fees in special courts. Lib. TBH. No.

Passed 27th of June, 1781.

A. fol. 36.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That there shall be allowed to each judge of any special court of oyer and terminer and gaol delivery twenty shillings specie per day for his attendance in court, besides the like allowance, if he lives out of the county in which such court shall be held, for each day's itinerant charges in going to and returning from such court; and that all ministerial officers, belonging to or attending such court, shall be entitled to the same fees as are or may be chargeable by law for the like services performed at the same time in the general court.

Allowance to judges, &c.

II. This act to continue three years, and to the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter. Duration.

Continued for three years, &c. by 1784, ch. 83, for three years, &c. by November, 1787, ch. 38, to 30th October, 1798, &c. by 1791, ch. 84, and by 1793, ch. 77, to 30th October, 1805, &c. This act was likewise revived and continued by 1795, ch. 83, to 30th January, 1798.

C H A P. XXV.

A Further supplement to the act to raise the supplies for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-one. Lib. TBH. No. A. fol. 36.

WHEREAS by the act to raise the supplies for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-one, the bills of credit of the emission of this state, and of the continental emission in this state, were to be received for the first part of the tax imposed by the said act at the respective comparative passing value at the time of payment, which was to be ascertained by the commissioners of the tax for the respective counties monthly, in the manner directed by the said act; and by a supplement to the said act it was enacted, that the said new bills of credit should be received, if tendered, at the rate of one half the value of Spanish milled dollars, at any time before the first day of April last, by persons entitled to pay in money for the part of the tax payable the tenth day of April last, or the whole year's tax to be paid under the first mentioned act; And whereas the commissioners of the tax have ascertained and fixed the comparative passing value of the said bills of credit, since the said first day

Preamble.

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