

C H A P.
LXXXVIII.
A commission
to be allowed,
&c.

VII. And be it enacted, That the governor and the council be authorized to allow the person or persons they shall appoint to execute the several services under this act, a commission, salary, or other reward, as they may think proper.

Governor and
council to su-
perintend the
collection,
&c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the governor and the council be requested diligently to superintend the collection of the public assessment, and to take care that the collectors, naval officers, and all persons authorized to collect taxes, duties, or any other public money, faithfully do their duty, and in case of neglect, that their office bonds be put in suit as the law directs; and the governor and the council are also requested to advise and instruct the commissioners of the tax, and all persons intrusted with the collection of the public revenue, as to the execution of their several duties and offices.

To establish a
public arsenal,
&c.

IX. And be it enacted, That the governor and the council be authorized and requested to establish a public arsenal at Frederick-town in Frederick county, for the reception of the public arms and accoutrements lately imported; and the governor and the council are requested to direct the lieutenants of the several counties, or the officers of the militia, to collect all the arms and ammunition, and military stores, belonging to the state in the hands of any of the inhabitants of their county, and any person having such arms, if he refuses to deliver the same when required, he shall forfeit five pounds current money; and all the arms, and ammunition, and military stores, collected on the western shore, shall be conveyed to Frederick-town, and be there deposited and kept with the other public arms herein before mentioned; and all arms, and ammunition, and military stores, collected on the eastern shore, shall be conveyed to Talbot-town, and be there deposited and kept in some fit and proper place to be provided for that purpose; and the governor and the council are authorized and requested to appoint an armourer at Frederick-town, and another at Talbot-town, to take charge of, and keep in constant repair and fit for use, all public arms and accoutrements to them respectively delivered; and the governor and the council may allow the said armourers such salary as they may think reasonable and proper; and the expence of collecting and conveying the public arms as above directed shall be paid by the public; and the governor and the council are also requested to direct the iron and brass cannon belonging to this state, to be put in some proper place to be preserved and kept in order, and fit for service.

And to receive
proposals from
the agent, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That the governor and the council be requested to receive from the agent of this state respecting the bank stock, any proposals of measures by him to be executed concerning the said stock, and if they approve his proposals, and think the adoption thereof will be for the advantage of the state, they are hereby authorized and requested to empower and instruct him to carry such measures into execution, the said agent being always subject to their advice, instructions and control.

Powers vested
may be exer-
cised, &c.

XI. And be it enacted, That all and any of the powers vested by this act in the governor and the council, may be exercised by any three or more of them, the governor always being present and having a vote.

C H A P. LXXXIX.

Passed March
23.

An ACT for the payment of the journal of accounts.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it appears by the journal of accounts and list of debts, that there is now due from this state the sum of twelve thousand five hundred and twenty-four pounds, seven shillings and seven-pence, current money,

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