

CHAP. VI. to the value ascertained by the endorsement, and the collector shall endorse such discount, and the date when made, on such certificate, and shall thereto subscribe his name.

Collectors not to have allowance on certificates unless honestly received, &c.

LVF. And be it enacted, That no collector shall have any allowance for any certificate, unless he will declare on oath (to be administered by either of the treasurers) that the said certificate was honestly and bonâ fide received or discounted in payment of the assessment due on the property in his county; and any collector swearing falsely in the premises, shall be liable to the same prosecution and punishment as in other cases of wilful and corrupt perjury, and shall incur all the disabilities attending such infamous crime.

How allowance to assessors, &c. is to be paid.

LVII. And be it enacted, That the allowance to any assessor, and to the commissioners and their clerk, shall be discharged in wheat at five shillings and three-pence per bushel, or may be discounted in their assessment; and the commission to the receivers of specifics shall be paid in wheat or flour at the price limited in this act; and the commission of the collectors shall be paid in gold or silver upon such sums as may be collected in gold or silver, and in tobacco upon the collections made in tobacco.

Interest to be first paid, &c.

LVIII. Whereas the general assembly did engage to make provision for the punctual payment of interest on the debts due from the public, **Be it enacted,** That so much of the money and specific articles collected in virtue of this act, as may be necessary, shall be first applied, and is hereby appropriated and set apart for the payment of one year's interest on such certificates as have been or shall be adjusted agreeable to the act relating to public creditors; and to ensure the punctual payment of one year's interest at the time when due, the governor and the council are requested, if a sufficient sum of gold or silver shall not be in the public treasury, to direct, that as much tobacco, wheat, or flour, as may be necessary to pay one year's interest on such certificates, to be sold for that purpose, and the general assembly will provide for the constant and punctual payment of the annual interest, until the principal sum shall be discharged.

Coin, &c. to be remitted to continental treasury, &c.

LIX. And be it enacted, That the coin received in virtue of this act, or continental bank notes, if to be procured, (not exceeding one fifth of the whole assessment) be remitted to the continental treasury, for the payment of the army, and that the residue be appropriated to discharge the civil list, and in such other manner as the general assembly shall direct.

Wheat, &c. may be sold, &c.

LX. And be it enacted, That the governor and council may sell the wheat, or direct it to be manufactured and sell the flour, and they may sell the tobacco and pork, as they may judge most for the interest of the state.

Copies to be printed, &c.

LXI. And be it enacted, That Mr. Frederick Green, printer, according to his agreement with the house of delegates, shall print and stitch in blue paper covers seven hundred and fifty copies of this act, and make the same up into eighteen parcels of thirty-six copies, directed to the commissioners named in this act for the several counties; and