

neral assembly at the next, or any succeeding session." In the 4th line from the bottom of the 10th page, after the word "debts," insert "in manner aforesaid." Strike out from the word "December," in the last line of the 10th page, to the word "and," in the 5th line of the last page. At the end of the bill insert "and, whereas no provision hath been made for assessing and collecting the two shilling and six-penny fund tax for any year subsequent to the year seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That all the proceedings of the late commissioners of the tax in such of the counties within this state wherein measures have been taken by them for the collection of the said tax for the present year, be and the same are hereby made valid and confirmed; and all bonds executed by any collectors by them appointed for securing the collection thereof, are hereby made effectual to all intents and purposes, and the respective obligors in such bonds mentioned, shall be and are hereby bound by the terms and tenor thereof, in like manner as if such bonds had been executed according to any law heretofore made for assessing and collecting the said tax, and the said collectors shall be subject to the same rules and regulations as are provided by any such law for securing the collection thereof; and the governor and council are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint three commissioners in each respective county within this state, for assessing and securing the collection of the said tax for the two next succeeding years, and also for the present year in such of the counties where no proceedings have been had from a supposed defect of power for collecting the same, and the said commissioners are hereby authorized and required to meet at the court-houses in their respective counties, and to take the necessary measures to effect the collection of the said fund tax for the two next succeeding years, and also for the present year in such of the counties where no steps have been taken for this purpose; and in the appointment of collectors, and in making the necessary regulations for the punctual collection of the said tax, the commissioners shall be governed by the rules and provisions laid down by the act for raising the supplies for the year seventeen hundred and eighty-six, on the valuation of property on which the assessment was levied and collected for that year; and the said commissioners shall, on application by any person interested, or without such application when they shall have knowledge of the change, make such alterations in the assessment of that year, as any change of property or time, or other circumstances may render necessary; and the collectors of the said fund tax, instead of four, shall be allowed six per cent. for the collection.

"And, whereas there remains a quantity of confiscated British property which was not sold either by the commissioners for the preservation and sale of confiscated British property, or the late intendant or agent of the state: And whereas several discoveries have been made of confiscated property since the first day of May, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, but for want of a power in the governor and council to make a composition, the necessary papers cannot be procured, so as to sell the right of the state; therefore Be it enacted, That the governor and council be and they are hereby empowered and directed to dispose of all confiscated British property now remaining unsold as aforesaid, for depreciation or liquidated state certificates, to be paid in three equal yearly payments, on bonds to be given by the purchaser, with approved security, the property of principal and security to be bound in the same manner, and under the limitations herein before prescribed, and to give due notice in the several news-papers within the state, and such other notice as they may think proper, of the terms and time of sale, and to appoint a proper person to sell the same.

"And be it enacted, That the governor and council be and they are hereby empowered and directed to compound with all persons who have made discoveries of confiscated British property since the first day of May, seventeen hundred and eighty-seven, or who shall hereafter make discovery in the same manner and upon the same terms and conditions as prescribed by the act, entitled, An act to empower the governor and council to compound with the discoverers of British property, and for other purposes, passed at November session, seventeen hundred and eighty-eight, and to sell the same as above mentioned, and the bonds or money arising from the sale of the property as aforesaid, shall be and are hereby appropriated to the discharge of the principal and interest of depreciation or liquidated specie certificates of this state.

"And, whereas several debts have originated on the sale of confiscated British property since the consolidating act, which still remain unsettled, therefore Be it further enacted, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorized and directed to call upon all persons indebted as aforesaid to settle and discharge their respective accounts on or before the first day of August, seventeen hundred and ninety, and upon their refusal or neglect to settle and make payment, or to instal, upon the terms and conditions prescribed in this act, to proceed against the said debtors according to law.

"And be it enacted, That bonds for confiscated property sold for the redemption of black state and continental state money, and specie bonds pledged for the redemption of such monies, may be installed upon the terms and conditions as bonds for confiscated property under this act.

"And be it enacted, That where any sales of property shall be made by any agent, or other person in virtue of this act, no other warranty of title to such property shall be given than to preclude the future claims of this state."

Which were read the first and second time, agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed. The additional supplementary act to an act, entitled, An act for enlarging the powers of the high court of chancery, endorsed; "By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By the senate, December 24, 1789: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.
"By order, H. RIDGELY, clk."

Ordered to be engrossed.