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AND
RESOLUTIONS
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE
State of South-Carolina.

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OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF SOUTH-CAROLINA.
DECEMBER SESSION, 1814.

An ACT to raise Supplies for the Year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

BE it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in General assembly, and by the authority of the same, That a tax for the sums and in the manner herein after mentioned, shall be raised and paid into the public treasury of this state, and for the use and service thereof.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That sixty-seven and one half cents ad valorem on every hundred dollars, be paid in specie, paper medium, or in the notes of the incorporated banks in the state of South-Carolina, on all lands granted within this state under the regulations hereafter mentioned.

Class No. one, Shall contain all tide swamp of the first quality, not generally affected by salts or freshets, which shall be rated at twenty six dollars per acre; all tide swamp of the second quality, not generally affected by salts or freshets, which shall be rated at seventeen dollars per acre; all tide swamp of the third quality, not generally affected by salts or freshets, which shall be rated at eight dollars and fifty cents per acre; all prime inland swamp, cultivated and uncultivated, which shall be rated at an average of thirteen dollars per acre; all inland swamp of the second quality, which shall be rated at eight dol-
lars and fifty cents per acre; all inland swamp of the third quality, which shall be rated at four dollars per acre; all pine barren lands, adjoining or contiguous thereto, which shall be rated at one dollar per acre; and all salt marsh, or inland swamp, clearly proved to the collectors to be incapable of immediate cultivation, which shall be rated at one dollar per acre.

Class No. two, Shall comprehend all high river swamps and low grounds, cultivated and uncultivated, including such as are commonly called second low grounds, lying above the flow of the tides, and as high up the country as Snow-hill, on Savannah river, and the fork of Broad and Saluda rivers on the Congaree; Grave’s ford on the Wateree, and the boundary line on Pedee; the first quality to be rated at thirteen dollars per acre, the second quality at eight dollars and fifty cents per acre, the third quality at four dollars per acre, excepting such as may be clearly proven to the collector to be incapable of immediate cultivation, which shall be rated at one dollar per acre.

Class No. three, Shall comprehend all high river swamps and low grounds, lying above Snow-hill, and the fork of Broad and Saluda rivers, Grave’s ford on the Wateree, and the old Indian boundary line on Pedee, which shall be rated at three dollars per acre.

Class No. four, Shall comprehend all high lands without the limits of St. Philip’s and St. Michael’s parishes, within twenty miles of Charleston, and on John’s Island and James Island, which shall be rated at four dollars per acre.

Class No. five, Shall comprehend all lands lying on the sea islands, (Slann’s island included,) or lying on or contiguous to the sea shore, usually cultivated or capable of cultivation in corn, cotton or indigo, not within the limits prescribed in class No. four, which shall be rated at four dollars per acre.
Class No. six, Shall comprehend all oak and hickory high lands, lying below Snow-hill and the fork of Broad and Saluda rivers, Grave’s ford on the Wateree, and the New boundary line on Pee-dee, and not included in the description or limits of the two preceding classes, Nos. 4 and 5, which shall be rated at three dollars per acre.

Class No. seven, Shall include all pine barren lands, not included in classes Nos. one, four and five, which shall be rated at twenty cents per acre.

Class No. eight, Shall comprehend all oak and hickory high lands, lying above Snow-hill, the fork of Broad and Saluda rivers, and Grave’s ford on the Wateree; the first quality of which shall be rated at one dollar and fifty cents per acre, the second quality at one dollar per acre, and the third quality at forty cents per acre.

Class No. nine, Shall comprehend all oak and hickory high land, above the old Indian boundary line, the first quality of which shall be rated at one dollar and twenty cents per acre, the second quality at sixty cents per acre, and the third quality at twenty cents per acre.

Class No. ten, Shall include all lands within the parishes of St. Philip’s and St. Michael’s, which shall be assessed in the same manner, and upon the same principles as houses and lots in Charleston, and in a relative proportion to lands in the country.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That one dollar fifty-seven and a half cents per head shall be levied upon slaves of all ages and descriptions; and the sum of three dollars per head upon all free negroes, mulattoes, and mestizoes, except such as shall be clearly proven to the collectors to be incapable, from maims or otherwise, of providing a livelihood, between the ages of fifteen and fifty; and sixty-seven and a half cents ad valorem, on every hundred dollars of the value of all lands and lots, and buildings within any city, town, village or borough, and one hundred and
fifty seven and a half cents per hundred dollars on all stock in trade, factorage, employments, faculties and professions, (clergymen, schoolmasters, schoolmistresses and mechanics excepted) to be ascertained and rated by the assessors and collectors throughout the state, according to the best of their knowledge and information, to be paid in paper medium, the notes of the Bank of the State of South-Carolina, or specie.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all negroes and other slaves who are employed on any lands leased by any person or persons of the Catawba Indians, shall be, and they are hereby made liable to the payment of this tax: but nothing in this act contained, shall be construed to impose any tax upon the property or estate of any religious society, or the South-Carolina Society, or the Winyaw Indigo Society, or the Fellowship Society, or the estate of the late Doctor De La Howe, devised for charitable purposes, or that part of the estate of the late Thomas Wadsworth, devised for the establishment of a school, or the Clarendon, or the High Hills of Santee, or the Camden Orphan Societies, or the Columbia Academy, or the lands and funds owned by the free school of Dorchester, or the public lands held by the corporation of Charleston, or the lands and funds of any society applicable to education or the maintenance of public schools; but no houses owned or erected on such lands by any private individual or individuals shall be exempted from paying taxes thereon according to their full value, to be rated by the assessor or assessors in the respective collection districts.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That any person entitled to any taxable property or estate in this state, who resides without the limits of the United States, shall, for the use of this state, pay a tripple tax on the same; but this clause shall not be construed to extend to the pro-
ity of any person sent, or hereafter to be sent abroad on the employment of this state or of the United States, until one year after the expiration or determination of his commission.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the tax-collectors throughout this state shall receive no payment of taxes but in gold or silver coin, made current in this state, the paper medium issued under the authority of the legislature, (bank paper redeemable in the first instance in gold and silver, at the Bank of South-Carolina, the State Bank, Union Bank, Planter's and Mechanic's Bank, the Bank of the State of South-Carolina, or certificates for the payment of the members of the legislature, or the solicitors for their attendance on the legislature.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That each and every enquirer, assessor and collector shall, on their inquiry for the return of taxes of this state for the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, administer the following oath to all such persons as shall be liable to pay any of the said taxes, viz. I, A. B. do solemnly swear or affirm, (as the case may be) that the account which I now give is a just and true account of the quantity and quality of the lands, and number of slaves which I was possessed of, interested or entitled to on the first day of October, in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, either in my own right or the right of any other person, either as guardian, agent, attorney, trustee, or in any manner whatsoever, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I will give a just and true answer, according to the best of my knowledge, to all such questions as shall be asked touching the same, and this I swear without any kind of equivocation or mental reservation whatsoever: And upon the principal of every sum or sums of money at interest, the interest of which is actually received, over and above
what each person pays for interest, the enquirers, assessors and collectors, and every of them, to whom the same shall be returned, shall assess the sum of seventy-five cents on every hundred dollars which shall have produced an interest of seven per cent. and a proportionate sum on all other sums of money drawing less or more than seven per centum, to be recovered in like manner, in case of default, as the collectors have been authorized by law heretofore to do on their return of lands and slaves.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case any person or persons shall neglect to make a return of his, her or their monies producing interest as aforesaid, he, she or they shall be liable to suffer the same forfeitures, and pay the same penalties as are inflicted by law in case of their refusing or neglecting to make a return of his, her or their lands or slaves.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, whenever required to do so by the governor and commander in chief for the time being, to negotiate a loan or loans with all or either of the banks of this state, for such sum or sums as the governor or commander in chief for the time being may deem necessary to support the brigade of state troops authorized to be raised in and by an act of the legislature of this state, passed at the present session, entitled, "An act to raise a brigade of state troops;" and for any other appropriations not otherwise provided for: Provided the said loans do not exceed the sum of five hundred and forty-two thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the owner or keeper of every stud horse or jack in this state, shall pay the price of the season of one mare to the tax-collector of each district where such stud or jack stanks.

And be it further enacted by the authority afores-
That every owner or keeper of any stone horse or jack ass, shall give in and pay to the tax collector of the district or parish, on the first day of June in each and every year, wherein such stone horse or jack ass may stand, the tax imposed by this act.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all persons representing publicly for gain or reward, any play, comedy, tragedy, interlude or farce, or other entertainment of the stage, or any part therein, all fortune tellers, and those that exhibit wax-figures, or shows of any kind whatsoever, shall pay a tax of three dollars per day, when they make those exhibitions at the towns or villages that are not incorporated, and the said sum of three dollars shall be paid into the hands of the clerks of the courts respectively, who shall be bound to pay over the same into the treasury annually.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all civil officers shall pay to the tax collectors of this state, in each of their respective parishes or districts, sixty-two and one half cents on every hundred dollars which they may receive as perquisites of office.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That Thomas Bomar be, and he is hereby permitted, previously to the collection of the next general tax, to enter into a new bond, with other and sufficient securities, for the performance of his duty; and that when he shall have so entered into another bond, with securities approved by the commissioners appointed for that purpose, his former securities, and their executors and administrators shall be discharged from all liability thereafter incurred for any taxes collected by the said Thomas Bomar.

Whereas, John Johnson, junior, hath purchased a tract of land formerly mortgaged to the loan office by the late colonel William Thompson, and is desirous...
of receiving the same indulgence for the payment of the said debt as is extended to all the debtors for the paper medium loan:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby authorized to receive from the said John Johnson, his bond for the amount due by the late colonel Thompson to the loan office, together with a mortgage of the land purchased by the said John Johnson, and on receipt thereof that the estate of the said William Thompson be therefrom discharged and his bond cancelled.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That Nathaniel Green Cleary, sheriff of Charleston district be, and he is hereby released from the amount with which he was debited by the comptroller-general, for single tax executions lodged with him under the tax act of one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, on condition that he make a full and satisfactory return of the said executions within ninety days after the passing of this act.

And whereas, difficulties have arisen in the collection of the public taxes, by defendants at sales made under the tax executions purchasing in their own property and not complying with the terms of sale, and in other instances by payment of ten percent. under the act of one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, and in other instances by a want of bidders, whereby the revenue of the state is impaired: for remedy whereof,

Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this act, it shall be the duty of the sheriffs throughout this state, wherever property sold under executions shall not produce the amount of the tax, with the fees due thereon, by reason of the non-compliance of the purchaser, or any other cause whatsoever, to take the body of the defendant; and it shall not be required of such sheriff or sheriffs to proceed to any
other sale of the said property unless in cases of intestates.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in all cases where the legislature shall omit or neglect to fill up the board of directors of the Bank of the State of South-Carolina; the directors appointed by such legislature shall, with the president, fill up such vacancies as shall occur by such omission on the part of the legislature to appoint a full board of directors, in the manner they are now authorized to do, where vacancies occur by death or resignation; and if at any time the legislature should appoint any number of directors less than seven, the existing board of directors may appoint such number of directors as with those appointed by the legislature, shall make up the number of seven, and these seven, with the president, shall appoint the remaining five directors; and where the legislature shall wholly omit, at any session, to appoint a president or directors, those then in office shall continue until a new appointment shall be made by the legislature.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the several tax-collectors throughout the state, except in the parishes of St. Philip's and St. Michael's, shall be entitled to, and are hereby authorized to retain, as a compensation for collecting the taxes by this act imposed, the sum of two and a half per cent. and the said tax-collectors for St. Philip's and St. Michael's, the sum of one and a half per cent. upon the sums by them respectively collected; and that all acts or parts of acts repugnant to this clause, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the sheriffs of the several districts within this state, with whom executions for taxes shall be lodged by the collectors in this state, shall be, and they are hereby required, within ninety days
after receiving such executions, to make to the comptroller-general a full and complete return thereof; and in case any sheriff shall fail or neglect to make such return within the time prescribed by this act, then and in that case, it shall be the duty of the comptroller-general, and he is hereby enjoined and required to cause such defaulting sheriff to be debited in the books of the treasury, with the full amount of his receipt; and such sheriff or sheriffs shall not afterwards, be entitled to a credit for any executions returned by them after the expiration of the said ninety days, although such executions should be returned *nulla bona* or *non est inventus*.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this act, the Phoenix Insurance Company shall be, and they are hereby prohibited from opening or underwriting any policy or policies of insurance of any kind or nature whatsoever, within the limits of this state, and all policies which may, in contravention of this act, be so taken or subscribed by the said company, shall be, and they are hereby declared null and void, to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and the agent or agents of the said company shall be liable to a penalty of ten thousand dollars for every policy so by him or them underwritten or effected within the limits of this state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby directed not to proceed to collect a certain debt due by the securities of Stephen Baldy, deceased, to the state, nor a certain debt due by Elias Jaudon to the state, on or before the first of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be the duty of the tax-collectors of this state, to make, on the first day of August in every year, to the commissioners of the poor in the parish or district in which any poor tax shall
be by the said tax-collectors respectively collected, a return of such poor tax in like manner as they make returns of the public tax to the treasurers of this state. And it shall be the duty also of the said tax-collectors, to make a duplicate return to the comptroller-general, of the amount of the tax so collected and paid to the commissioners.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said several tax-collectors in each fiscal division of the state, shall exhibit in some column of his return, the number of acres of land lying within their respective divisions, and the number of acres lying elsewhere, and for which taxes shall be paid them; in like manner they shall exhibit in other columns, the number of negroes in their respective divisions, and of those elsewhere, whereon taxes shall be paid them; and in other separate columns, exhibit the amount of taxes in their respective divisions, on every different article taxed by law; and the comptroller-general shall preserve these columns in his aggregate of taxes, to be laid before the next meeting of the legislature.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller-general shall annually publish in the Carolina Gazette, a list of such commissioners and clerks as have neglected to make their returns as above required, for the preceding year. And provided, That the said commissioners and clerks do not make their returns on or before the first day of September after such publication, it shall be the duty of the attorney-general or solicitor, as the case may be, to sue for and recover the penalty to which they have been heretofore declared liable, except the commissioners of St. Philip's and St. Michael's parishes, who shall account to the city council of Charleston as heretofore.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be, and is hereby declared to be the duty of the comptroller-general, as speedily as the tax returns
same can be done after the first of October in every year, to make out from the returns of the tax-collectors, and to transmit to the clerks of the several courts in the several districts of this state, the names of all persons who have made returns for the preceding year, together with the taxes paid by the said persons, to the end, that the person paying such tax may have an opportunity of comparing their receipts with the same; and it shall be the duty of the clerks of the said courts, on application of any person for an inspection of the said statement so transmitted to him by the comptroller-general, to produce the same, and in case there shall appear a difference between the comptroller-general's report and the receipt of tax paid by such person, the clerk thereupon shall report the same to the legislature; and in case any clerk shall neglect or refuse, without reasonable excuse, to exhibit the same when demanded in office hours, by any person or persons paying a tax in the said district, he shall be subject to a penalty of ten dollars, to be recovered in any court having competent jurisdiction, one half to the informer, the other to the treasury of the state; and the comptroller-general, for his services thus required of him, shall yearly receive the sum of two hundred dollars.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That a further indulgence until the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, be, and the same is hereby extended to Charles Pinckney, and the other securities of Daniel Doyley, for the debt due by them to the state.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
An ACT to enable persons hereafter on petition to the Courts of Law or Equity in this state, to change their Names, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this act, it shall and may be lawful for any person who may be desirous of changing his or her name for that of another, to exhibit his or her petition in writing, to any of the judges of the courts of common law or equity, of this state, in open court, setting forth in said petition, the reasons why he or she is desirous of changing his or her name, together with his or her age, place of residence, and nativity, and the name by which he or she wishes thereafter to be called and known; upon which said petition and the reasons therein contained, it shall be the duty of the judge to determine, and grant or not grant the prayer thereof, as to him shall appear proper, having a due regard to the true interest of the petitioner. That whenever the prayer of such petition shall be granted, it shall be the duty of the clerk or commissioner of said court to enter the same on the minutes of the court, and to file the original petition, with the fiat of the judge, among the papers of his office; and to deliver to the petitioner a true copy of said petition, together with a copy of the judges order thereon, properly certified and under the seal of said court, for which the said clerk or commissioner shall be entitled to receive from the petitioner, the sum of five dollars, and no more; and which proceedings so certified as aforesaid, on being produced to the secretary of this state, shall, by him be recorded in a book to be by him kept in his office for that purpose, whose duty it shall be forthwith to deliver to the petitioner, a true copy of such record, with the seal of this state affixed, for which the said secre-
tary shall be entitled to, and receive from the petitioner, the sum of five dollars, and no more; and upon the seal of the state being affixed to the record aforesaid, and delivered to the petitioner; his or her name shall be, and is thereby immediately changed to that contained in the said record.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in all cases, whether in law or equity, the person so changing his or her name, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded by his or her new name, and no other; that in all cases where an action or actions shall be pending at the time of such alteration of names, the same shall not abate by the party's name being changed, but the record, on motion, shall be amended, by expunging the old name and inserting the new name of the party. And that in all cases, whether in law or equity, where the party changing his or her name, is bound by obligation or otherwise, the effect of which obligation would extend to and impose any obligation on the heirs, executors or administrators of the person so having changed his name, the same heirs shall be and remain bound to all intents and purposes, in the same manner and to the same extent as if the said party had not changed his or her name.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.
THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to establish a Court of Equity for Edgefield District.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That hereafter there shall be held by some one of the judges of the courts of equity, at Edgefield court-house, for Edgefield district, on
the first Monday of February and June in each year, a court of equity, to hear and determine all causes and matters cognizable in a court of equity, and which may arise in said district; which said court of equity shall continue to sit one week, if necessary to finish the business of the same; and the said court of equity so established, shall exercise all the powers and jurisdiction now exercised by the courts of equity of this state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That a commissioner in equity for the said district of Edgefield, shall be appointed in the same manner as other commissioners in equity are by law appointed, and he shall be required to give the same security, perform the same duties, and exercise the same powers; and that immediately after said appointment, he shall receive from the commissioner in equity for Ninety-six district, all papers and records which may relate to any business, or suits already commenced or determined, wherein the parties defendants are resident in the said district of Edgefield; and it shall be the duty of the said commissioner of Ninety-six district, to deliver all and every such paper or record accordingly.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the sheriff of Edgefield district, for the time being, shall attend the courts of equity in said district, and shall have the same powers, and perform the same duties, as the sheriffs of other districts wherein courts of equity are already established.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the commissioners in equity, except the commissioner in equity of Cheraw district, shall keep their respective offices at the town or village where such courts shall be held, on Tuesday and Friday in each and every week. And should any commissioner in equity neglect to attend at their respective offices on the days aforesaid.
each and every week, he shall forfeit and pay to the clerk of the board of commissioners of the poor, for the use of the poor in the district in which he shall reside, the sum of five dollars, to be recovered by complaint and proof thereof made before any justice of the quorum, according to the rules of common law, which fines and forfeitures shall not be recovered if the commissioner shall make it appear to the satisfaction of the justice that such neglect was in consequence of indisposition or other unavoidable accident.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT for the protection of the Maritime Frontier of this State.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the governor and commander in chief of this state be, and he is hereby authorized to cause a survey to be made of the maritime frontier of this state, and in conjunction with the officer of the United States army commanding this military district, to fix upon certain points for the establishment of block houses or other fortifications for the protection of the coasting trade; and he is hereby authorized to build block houses on the said points, or establish such a chain of military posts as will in his opinion most effectually provide for the protection of the maritime frontier; and the governor is hereby authorized, in case the United States shall not provide a sufficient number of men to occupy and defend the said posts, to
call into service such portion of the militia of this state as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the sum of fifty thousand dollars, if so much be necessary, be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the purposes above mentioned.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRIECE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to prolong the time for certain Militia Officers to take the oath or affirmation prescribed by Law.

Whereas many officers of the militia have, through inadvertence, neglected to take the oath or affirmation prescribed by the act, entitled, "An additional act to the act, entitled, an act to organize the militia throughout the state of South-Carolina," passed on the nineteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, in conformity with the act of Congress:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That a further time of six months be allowed the said officers to take the said oath or affirmation, before some justice of the peace or quorum, who shall certify the same on the back of their commissions; and the said officers thus taking the said oath or affirmation, shall be still qualified to hold their said commissions, any law to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided nevertheless, That if the said officers do not, within the said time, take the said oath or affirmation, their commissions shall be vacated.
And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That any officer or officers taking the oath of affirmation within the time above mentioned, shall receive commissions of the same date, and shall be entitled to take the same grade as if he or they had taken the said oath or affirmation according to the requisitions of the above mentioned act. 

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to alter and amend the Charter of the Bank of the State of South-Carolina, so far as relates to the issuing of Bills of a less denomination than one dollar, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the president and directors of the Bank of the State of South-Carolina shall be, and they are hereby authorized and required to issue bills of a less denomination than one dollar, to be signed by a deputy cashier to be appointed as herein after mentioned, and to be countersigned by either of the directors, or by some person appointed by them for that purpose.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That immediately after the passing of this act, the president and directors shall elect a deputy cashier, whose duty it shall be, under their direction, to sign all bills of a less denomination than one dollar, to enter the same in the manner and in conformity to the existing rules of the bank, relative to its issues, and to note the mutilated bills when cancelled by the president and directors, in addition to
which he shall perform all such other services as may be required, and shall receive such compensation as the president and directors may deem proper, and shall, before he enters on the duties of his office, give bond with security, to be approved by them, in the sum of ten thousand dollars.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That no body, politic or corporate, within this state, shall be allowed to issue any bills of credit in the nature of a circulating medium, or other than such as answer the purpose of contracts, under the penalty of ten dollars for each and every dollar issued: Provided nevertheless, That this clause shall not be so construed as to effect the chartered rights of any banking institution within this state, heretofore incorporated by an act of the legislature.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the city council of Charleston shall be, and they are hereby allowed the time of twelve months after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, to call in all bills of credit issued by them in the nature of a circulating medium.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to incorporate the several Societies therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the society formed for the promotion of religion and morals, in the county of Claremont, and all those who may hereafter become members of that society, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate, in deed
and in law, by the name of the Mount Bethel Baptist Church.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all those persons who have associated themselves together for the purposes of religious worship, in the district of Fairfield, and all those who may hereafter become members of the said society, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate, in deed and in law, by the name and style of the Mount Bethel Episcopal Methodist Society.

And whereas, Stephen Elliott, president, William Johnson, junior, and Robert Dewar, vice-presidents; Dr. James E. B. Finley, Martin Stroble, Benjamin Elliott, and Dr. Richard L. Latham, curators of the Literary and Philosophical Society of the State of South-Carolina, have, by their petition, prayed for an act of incorporation on behalf of said society:

Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Stephen Elliott, William Johnson, junr. Robert Dewar, James E. B. Finley, Martin Stroble, Benjamin Elliott, and Dr. Richard L. Latham, and all those who now belong to, and all those who may hereafter become members of the said society, shall be, and are hereby declared to be a body, politic and corporate, by the name and style of the Literary and Philosophical Society of South-Carolina; and by the same name shall have perpetual succession of officers and members, and a common seal, with power to change, alter, break and make new the same, as often as the said corporation shall judge expedient; and the said corporation and its successors shall be able and capable in law to purchase, have, hold, receive, enjoy and possess, and retain to itself, and its successors, in perpetuity or for any term of years, any estate or estates, land, tenements or hereditaments of what kind or nature soever, and to sell, alien, or lease the same, or any part thereof, as they shall think proper, and may, by the said name, sue and be sued, implead
and beimpleaded, answer and be answered unto,
in any court of law or equity in this state, and to
make such rules and by-laws (not repugnant to
the laws of the land) for the benefit of the said cor-
poration, and for the order, rule, good government
and management of said corporation, as shall from
time to time be agreed upon by a majority of the
members of the said corporation.

And whereas, Ann E. Mitchell, superintendent,
Harriet Drayton, junior superintendent, and S. M.
Drayton, secretary and treasurer, of the Ladies
Benevolent Society, have, by their petition to the
legislature, prayed for an act of incorporation:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority afores-
said, That all those persons who now compose
the said society in Charleston, and all those who
may hereafter become members of the same, shall
be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corpo-
rate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name
and style of the Ladies Benevolent Society.

And be it further enacted by the authority afores-
said, That the persons who now compose the
Claremont Library Society, and all those who may
hereafter become members of the same, shall be,
and they are hereby declared to be a body corpo-
rate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name
and style of the Claremont Library Society.

And be it further enacted by the authority afores-
said, That all the persons who now compose the
Uranian Society of Columbia, and all those persons who may
hereafter become members of the same, shall be,
and they are hereby declared to be a body corpo-
rate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name
and style of the Uranian Society of Columbia.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the persons who now compose the Laurens
Library Society, and all those persons who may
hereafter become members thereof, shall be, and
they are hereby declared to be a body corporate and
politic, by the name and style of the Laurens Libra-
ry Society.
Whereas, The incorporated commissioners of the Pendleton Circulating Library Society have petitioned the legislature of this state so to amend the act of incorporation of the said commissioners as to enable them to apply the funds of the said society to the endowment of an academy at Pendleton court-house:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said society, or a majority of them, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to vest all the funds of the said society in such way, and in such persons as to them shall seem expedient, for the purpose of endowing or aiding in the maintenance and support of an academy at Pendleton court-house.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the persons who now compose the Baptist church in the town of Camden, and all those who may hereafter become members of that church, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate, in deed and in law, by the name and style of the Baptist Church of Camden.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the several societies and churches hereinafter incorporated, shall, by their several and respective names, be able and capable in law, severally to purchase, have, hold receive, enjoy, possess and retain to their respective incorporations, in perpetuity or for term of years, any lands, tenements or hereditaments of what nature or kind soever, and their said lands, tenements or hereditaments so by them respectively to be held, enjoyed and possessed; and the said corporations may respectively alien, sell, lease, demise or exchange, as the said respective corporations shall think proper: Provided however, That the lands, tenements and hereditaments so to be had, held, enjoyed and possessed by each or any of the said societies and churches, shall not exceed the annual value of five thousand dollars; and any monies, goods or
chattels which they severally and respectively do now, or may hereafter own, the said corporate bodies may retain, possess and enjoy, or sell, alien or convey, as they shall severally think convenient.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said several societies and churches herein mentioned and incorporated, shall respectively have perpetual succession of officers and members, and common seals of their respective corporate bodies, with power respectively to change and alter the same as they or any of them may think proper, and may make such by-laws, rules and regulations, not repugnant to the laws of the land, as they shall respectively deem necessary for the good order and government of their said respective corporations.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all those persons who now compose the Coramaca Circulating Library Society, and all those who may hereafter become members thereof, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name and style of the Coramaca Circulating Library Society.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said corporation shall be capable in law to purchase, have, hold, receive, enjoy, possess and retain to itself in perpetuity, or for any term of years, any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, or other property of what nature soever, not exceeding five thousand dollars: and to sell or alien the same, as the said corporation shall think fit, and by its said name to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in any court of law or equity in this state, and to make such rules and by-laws, not repugnant to the laws of the land, as for the order, rule, good government and management thereof may be thought necessary and expedient.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this act shall be deemed a public act, and as public act.
such shall be judicially noticed in all the court of this state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Episcopal church in Ratcliffborough, near Charleston, and the several persons who now are, or shall hereafter become members thereof, and their successors, officers and members shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name and style of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Saint Paul, in Ratcliffborough, and by the said name shall have perpetual succession of officers and members, and a common seal, with power to alter, change, break and make new the same, as often as the said last mentioned corporation shall deem expedient; and the said corporation shall be able and capable in law, to purchase, have, hold, receive, enjoy, possess and retain to itself, in perpetuity, or for any term of years, any estate or estates, goods or chattels, lands, tenements or hereditaments of what kind or nature soever, not exceeding the sum of five thousand dollars per annum; and to sell, alien, exchange, demise or lease the same, or any part thereof, as they shall think proper, and may, by its said name, sue and be sued, plead and be pleaded unto, answer and be answered unto, in any court of law or equity in this state; and the wardens and vestry of the said church are hereby vested with all the powers and authorities which are vested in any other established episcopal church in this state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all and every of the societies aforesaid shall be incorporated for the term of fourteen years, and until the next meeting of the legislature thereafter, and no longer.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
An ACT to vest certain Lands in the District of Marion in the President and Members of the Marion Academy Society for the purpose of endowing the Marion Academy.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That all the confiscated property to which the state is now entitled, in the district of Marion, and all such property as hath heretofore, or may hereafter accrue to this state in the said district, on account of property which, by an act, entitled, "An act to appoint escheatsters and regulate escheats," hath escheated to this state: Provided the same shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars, shall be, and the same is hereby vested in the president and members of the Marion Academy Society, for the benefit of the Marion Academy. And the said Marion Academy Society are hereby vested with all the powers of escheatsters in the district aforesaid, for the selling and disposing of the land and property aforesaid: Provided, That nothing contained in this, shall affect the property of any friendly aliens residing in this state.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to raise a Brigade of State Troops.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That there shall be raised in this state, one brigade of infantry, in the manner hereinafter mentioned: That said brigade shall consist of two
regiments, each regiment of two battalions, each battalion of five companies, and each company of one captain, one first lieutenant, one second lieutenant, one third lieutenant, one ensign, five sergeants, six corporals, two musicians, and ninety privates; that each battalion shall have one major, and each regiment one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, one adjutant, one quarter master, one paymaster, one surgeon, two surgeons mates, one sergeant-major, and one quarter-master sergeant; and said brigade shall be commanded by a brigadier-general, who shall appoint such brigade staff as are attached to the brigades in the army of the United States; and the colonels shall appoint the staff of their respective regiments.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the brigadier-general and field officers of the said brigade shall be appointed by the legislature previous to their adjournment, but they shall not be called into service, nor be entitled to pay, until their respective commands have been raised; that is to say, as soon as five companies are raised, the eldest major shall be called into service; as soon as six companies are raised, the eldest lieutenant-colonel shall be called into service; and as soon as a regiment is raised, all the officers of a regiment shall be called into service; that as soon as the two regiments are completed, the brigadier-general, with his staff, shall be called into service; and when the services of these officers respectively are required, they shall be notified thereof by the governor and commander in chief.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the company officers of the said brigade shall be appointed and commissioned in the following manner, that is to say; as soon as any five citizens of the United States shall engage a full company of able bodied effective men, and present them to the governor or any inspector authorized
to inspect them, or shall shew by the articles of engagement that he has actually engaged the said company, they shall be entitled to the commissions in that company, which shall be distributed according to any agreement which shall have been made between the parties; and the company first raised shall rank first; that is to say, the captain thereof shall be the first captain in the brigade, and with his officers shall take rank from the day on which his company was inspected and received, and all the companies which shall be raised in the manner aforesaid, shall rank from the day on which they shall be inspected and received.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That every militia man of this state, who shall furnish an able bodied man for the brigade, shall be, and he is hereby exempted from any draft to which the militia of this state shall be liable during the service of the brigade, excepting in cases of invasion or insurrection; and the said citizen so furnishing such recruit, shall, in every other respect be liable to the performance of militia and patrol duty, as is now required by law; and the certificate of any officer of the said brigade shall be regarded as sufficient evidence to entitle any militia man to the exemption aforesaid; Provided however, That the recruit so furnished, shall not be entitled to and receive the bounty offered by the state.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the whole number of troops authorized by this act shall not be raised in the manner before mentioned, the deficiency shall be raised in the following manner, that is to say: The governor shall appoint four convenient places of rendezvous, or more, for the four battalions hereby authorized to be raised, and shall, by proclamation, call upon all persons who shall raise any number of men, to present them, on the first day of May next, at one of the places of rendezvous appointed by him; that the
governor is hereby authorized and directed to appoint some proper person to inspect the said troops, that if any five persons shall then and there present a full company, they shall be first commissioned; that if no full companies shall have been commissioned, or there shall remain vacancies in the said regiment, the person presenting the greatest number of men shall be commissioned captain, and take rank next to those previously commissioned; the person presenting the next greatest number shall be the next captain, and so on until all the vacancies are filled, each officer taking rank according to the number of men he shall bring: Provided always, That no person shall be entitled to a captain's commission who shall bring less than forty men; no person a first lieutenant's commission who shall bring less than twenty-one men; no person a second lieutenant's, who shall bring less than eighteen men; no person a third lieutenant's, who shall bring less than fourteen men; and no person an ensign's, who shall bring less than ten men: And provided also, that if a greater number of men are presented than are required, those who bring the greatest number of men shall be first accepted, and the surplus shall be discharged proportionally and by lot, and the men so discharged shall be entitled to receive forty cents per day from the time they left the place of their engagement, until their return to the same place, at the rate of fifteen miles for every day.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That any person who shall undertake to raise men for the brigade aforesaid, shall be authorized to obtain signatures to an engagement to serve the state during the continuance of the present war; and any person who shall sign such engagement, shall be bound thereby as firm as if they had regularly engaged with an authorized officer of the state, and if after having so engaged he shall fail to appear at the places of rendezvous appointed by
virtue of this act, he shall be deemed a deserted, and proceeded against accordingly; and on the said recruits' appearing at any of the above mentioned places of rendezvous, he shall receive a bounty of thirty dollars, and have the rules and articles of war read to him, and shall be liable to the said rules and articles of war, as practised in the army of the United States. Provided nevertheless, That nothing herein contained shall effect any minor, unless such minor shall have the sanction in writing of his father, if he be alive, and if the father be not alive, of his mother, and if neither father nor mother be alive, then of his guardian.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That on the appointment of the field officers, Rank of officers determined by lot.

a joint committee of the two houses shall determine by lot the rank of the officers; those which shall draw the lowest numbers shall be the highest in rank, and be attached to the first regiment, and the others to the second regiment; and the said regiments shall be called the first and second regiments of South-Carolina State Troops; and in case any officer appointed by the legislature shall refuse to accept said appointment, or resign or die before the battalions shall have been raised, the governor shall appoint some suitable person to fill such vacancy.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the officers of the said brigade shall rise in line in conformity to the regulations adopted in the army of the United States; and the governor shall appoint proper persons to be ensigns in the place of those who shall be promoted.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the officers, non-commissioned and privates of the said brigade, shall be entitled to the same pay, rations, clothing, and allowance (except bounty) as the troops of the United States.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the officers of the said brigade shall, when serving with the militia of this state, or the
serving with the army of the United States, have the same rank as the officers of the United States' army, and that all persons attached to the said brigade, committing any offences, shall be tried, and the offenders punished by a court-martial, composed of the officers of the brigade; and when any offence shall be committed by the brigadier-general, or the field officers of the said brigade, a court-martial shall be held by the militia officers of the state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the uniform of the said brigade shall be blue woolen coatees and pantaloons, after the same fashion, and in every respect conformable with the uniform of the infantry of the United States, except that the non-commissioned officers and soldiers shall wear round wool hats, with blue pompons; but the officers of the said brigade shall wear the same dress as the officers of the United States infantry, with yellow buttons, gold epaulets and a blue feather.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That as soon as the said brigade, or any part thereof, shall be raised, they shall be offered by the governor to the United States; on the condition, however, that they be kept within the state for the defence thereof, unless in the case of an actual invasion of a contiguous state, it shall become necessary to call on the people of South-Carolina to assist in repelling them; in which case the said brigade may be marched to repel such invasion: Provided they be not kept out of the state longer than necessary to repel such invasion, and while so out of the state, an equal number of militia be called into service by the United States, for the protection of this state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That immediately after the passing of this act, it shall be the duty of the governor to transmit a copy thereof to the secretary of war, and to know from him how far the United States can aid
state in arms, clothing, and munitions of war; and
he is hereby authorized and directed to order the
commissary-general of purchases to procure what-
ver may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid,
and which cannot be provided by the United
States; and the governor is authorized to draw or-
ders on the treasury in favor of the proper officers,
taking receipts for the same; and all the accounts
of the expenditures made by virtue of this act,
shall be rendered to the comptroller-general, and
by him be laid before the legislature.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That as soon as any part of the said brigade shall
be called into service, the governor shall be
authorized to purchase, and attach to the several
posts that may be established on the sea board, any
number of row, or other boats, not exceeding
twelve, suitable to the transportation of troops at a
moment's warning, to any point of attack, and to
be employed as look-out boats, to ascertain the
approach of the enemies barges; and to give notice
thereof to the coasting trade.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the sum of five hundred thousand dollars be, 500,000
and the same is hereby appropriated out of any
munitions in the treasury not otherwise appropriated,
for the purpose of carrying this act into full and
complete effect.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-
hith Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House
of Representatives.

An ACT to alter and change the name of Alexander Sills.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and
House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of
the same, That the name of Alexander Sills be changed and altered to that of John Alexander
Willey; and that from and after the passage of this act, the said Alexander Sills shall be known and called, in deed and in law, by the name of John Alexander Willey.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT incorporating the Grand Lodge of South-Carolina.

WHEREAS Thomas W. Bacot, grand master, Jervis H. Stevens, deputy grand master, Charles Kershaw, senior grand warden, Samuel Wilson, junior grand Warden, revd. A. W. Leland, grand chaplain, John H. Mitchell, grand secretary, Simon Magood, past grand master, honorable John Drayton, past grand master, and others, the officers and members of the Grand Lodge of South-Carolina, in behalf of the said grand lodge, and of the several lodges under the jurisdiction thereof, have, by their petition, prayed that the legislature would pass an act incorporating the aforesaid grand lodge, together with all the lodges under its jurisdiction, into one body, by the name and style of the Grand Lodge of South-Carolina:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the grand lodge above mentioned, together with all the subordinate lodges under its jurisdiction, and the several persons who now are, or shall hereafter become members thereof, and their successors, members and officers respectively, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by
the name and style of the Grand Lodge of South-
Carolina, and by the said name shall have perpetual
succession of officers and members, and a com-
mon seal, with power to change, alter, break and
make new the same; and shall be able and capa-
ble in law, to purchase, have, take, hold, receive,
enjoy possess, and retain to itself and its succe-
sors, in perpetuity, or for any term of years or life,
any charitable donations, and real and personal es-
tates, of what kind or nature soever, not exceeding
the annual income of five thousand dollars; and to
sell, alien, exchange, demise or lease the same, or
any part thereof, as shall be thought proper; and
by the said name to sue and be sued, implead and
be impleaded, answer and be answered unto in any
court of law or equity in this state, and to make
all necessary rules and by-laws, not repugnant to
the laws of the land, for the benefit and advantage,
and for the government, order and regulation of
the said grand lodge, and of the lodges under its
jurisdiction, and every member thereof, and for the
promotion of the prosperity, interest, benefit and
advantage of the craft in general, and of the chari-
table and laudable purposes of their institution.

Be it further enacted, That it shall and may be
lawful to and for the said grand lodge of South-
Carolina to constitute and warrant subordinate
lodges, and the said lodges so constituted, shall
be, and they are hereby declared to be legal and
regular; and the said grand lodge is hereby em-
powered to do all other things concerning the go-
vernment, estate, monies and revenues of the said
grand lodge and its subordinate lodges: Provided
always, That all the property belonging, at the
passing of this act, to any subordinate lodge, is
hereby fully confirmed to the said subordinate
lodges, free from any control, superintendence or
direction of the said grand lodge of South-Carolina.
Provided always nevertheless, That nothing here-
in contained shall affect the rights and privileges
of the grand lodge of Antient York Masons.
Be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, for the grand master, officers, and members of the said grand lodge, and for the masters, officers and members of the subordinate lodges under its jurisdiction, and their successors, to assemble and meet together at such stated times and places as are or shall hereafter be declared and appointed concerning the same.

Be it further enacted, That this act shall be deemed and taken as a public act, and notice thereof shall be taken in all courts of justice and elsewhere, in this state, and it shall be given in evidence on the trial of any cause without specially pleading the same.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to divide the State into Five Divisions and Ten Brigades.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That from and immediately after the passing of this act, this state shall be divided into five divisions, and to each division there shall be a major-general: The first of which divisions shall comprehend the districts of Edgefield, Abbeville, Pendleton and Greenville; the second division shall comprehend the districts of Barnwell, Beaufort, Colleton, Charleston, Orangeburgh and Lexington, (except the Dutch Fork between Saluda and Broad rivers;) one other division shall comprehend the districts of Georgetown, Williamsburgh, Horry, Marion, Marlborough, Chesterfield and Darling-
one other division shall comprehend the districts of Richland, Sumter, Kershaw, Lancaster; Chester; and Fairfield; one other division shall comprehend the districts of Union, York, Spartanburgh, Newberry and Laurens, (including the Dutch Fork between Saluda and Broad rivers.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the rank of the three last divisions, created by virtue of this act, shall be ascertained and determined by lot, in the manner following: that is to say, a joint committee of both houses shall forthwith cause the words Eastern Division, Northeastern Division, and Northern Division, to be respectively written on three pieces of paper, which shall be folded up and put into a hat, and they shall then cause a child under ten years of age to draw out, in their presence, two of the said pieces of paper or lots, and that which shall be first drawn, shall be the third division of this state; that which is next drawn shall be the fourth division; and the remaining lot or piece of paper shall be the fifth division.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the rank of the brigades and regiments of infantry shall likewise be determined by lot: The first division having the lowest numbers and highest rank; those of the second division shall be next lowest in numbers, and highest in rank; and so on according to the rank of the respective divisions, taking care so to conduct the drawing, that the lowest number of the respective brigades be given to the lowest number of the respective divisions, that the lowest number of the respective regiments be given to the lowest number of the respective brigades; and that the rank of the battalions in their respective regiments be always determined by the seniority of their respective majors.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the districts of Fairfield and Chester shall form and constitute one additional brigade,
which shall be numbered according to the rank to which it may be drawn.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the cavalry now raised and hereafter to be raised in the districts of Fairfield and Chester, shall form one regiment or squadron, according as the number of troops therein may warrant.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the legislature, under this act, shall choose by ballot, the major-generals of the three additional divisions created by virtue of this act, who shall take rank according to the number of their divisions. The legislature shall also choose in like manner, the brigadier-general of the newly formed brigade; and as soon as the brigadier-general is notified by the governor of his election, he shall proceed to divide his brigade into four regiments, and after he has made such division, he shall appoint five fit and proper persons in each regiment, whose duty it shall be to divide the respective regiments into battalions and companies, as near as conveniently may be, conformably to the acts of congress: Provided no officer now in commission in said regiments shall be divested of his commission by such division or alteration.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to enable John Williams to take by descent from his mother Nancy Williams.

WHEREAS John Williams has represented by his petition to the legislature of this state, that he is the illegitimate child of Nancy Williams, and that she is seized and possessed of a considerable estate, and by reason of her insani-
is unable to devise or dispose of the said estate in favor of the said John Williams:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the said John Williams shall be able and capable in law to have, hold and take by descent, all such property or estate, of what nature or kind soever, of which the said Nancy Williams shall or may be seized or possessed of at the time of her death, in as full and ample a manner as if he the said John Williams had been born in lawful wedlock.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to make appropriations for the Year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the following sums be respectively appropriated for the salaries of the public officers, and other expenses and purposes of government:

For the salary of the governor, two thousand five hundred and seventy-two dollars.

For the salary of the secretary of the governor, four hundred and thirty dollars.

For the salaries of the six judges of the courts of common pleas, each two thousand five hundred and seventy-two dollars.

For the salaries of five judges of the courts of equity, each two thousand five hundred and seventy-two dollars.

For the salary of the attorney-general, for giv-
ing advice to the governor, and other public officers, in matters of public concern, as a full compensation for the discharge of all public duties incident to the office of attorney-general, one thousand dollars.

For the salary of the comptroller-general, clerks and stationary included, as a full compensation for his services, three thousand dollars.

For the salary of four circuit solicitors, in lieu of all charges against the state, for the performance of every public duty appertaining to their respective offices, each five hundred dollars.

For the salary of the treasurer in Charleston, for transacting the business of the loan office, and clerks, two thousand six hundred and forty-eight dollars.

For the salary of the treasurer in Columbia, including clerks, two thousand dollars.

For the salaries of the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, each twelve hundred and thirty dollars.

As a compensation to the clerk of the court of Columbia, for his services in attending the constitutional court, one hundred and forty dollars.

As a compensation to the commissioner in equity, for his attendance in the court of appeals in the court in Columbia, one hundred dollars.

As a compensation to the clerk of the court in Charleston, one hundred and forty dollars.

As a compensation to the sheriff of Richland district for attending the constitutional court and court of equity at Columbia, one hundred dollars.

As a compensation to the sheriff of Charleston district, for attending the constitutional court and court of appeals in Charleston, one hundred and fifty dollars.

As a compensation to the keeper of the state house in Columbia, one hundred and thirty dollars.

For the salary of the adjutant general, two thousand dollars.
For the salaries of ten brigade inspectors, each two hundred and sixteen dollars.

For the salary of the port physician of Charleston, for boat hire, and all other expenses incident to his office, one thousand dollars.

As a compensation for the arsenal keeper and powder receiver in Charleston, five hundred dollars.

As a compensation to the arsenal keepers and powder receivers at Camden and Abbeville, fifty dollars each; and for the arsenal keepers and powder receivers for Georgetown and Beaufort, one hundred and fifty dollars each.

For the contracts with the state printers, a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars.

As a compensation for the pilot of the bar and harbour of Georgetown, three hundred and twenty-two dollars.

As a compensation to the pilot of the bar and harbor of Beaufort, three hundred and twenty-two dollars.

For annuities, two thousand five hundred dollars.

For the transient poor, payable to the city council of Charleston, four thousand two hundred and eighty dollars.

For the salary of the keeper of the lazaretto of the port of Charleston, five hundred dollars.

As a contingent fund, subject to the governor's draught, for the expenditure of which he shall submit an annual account, ten thousand dollars.

For the expenses of the members of the legislature at the present session of the legislature, and pay of the solicitors for their attendance, seventeen thousand dollars, if so much be necessary.

As a compensation to the two door-keepers of the legislature, two hundred and fifteen dollars each.

As a compensation to two messengers, each two hundred and fifteen dollars, to be paid at the adjournment of the legislature.
For the rent of the governor's house in Columbia, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For the aid in supporting the transient poor in Georgetown, the sum of five hundred dollars, to be paid to the commissioners of the poor of Prince George, Winyaw, to be laid out and expended by them for the use of the transient poor; the said commissioners to publish annually in the Georgetown Gazette, the names of all such transient poor, and the sum laid out for each, as may have been relieved by this fund, an account on oath to be returned to the comptroller-general and by him submitted to the legislature.

For the discharge of the contingent expenses of the upper division of this state, a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars.

For the discharge of the contingent expenses of the lower division, six thousand dollars.

For the salaries of two tutors in the South-Carolina College, each six hundred dollars.

For the salary of a professor of chemistry in the South-Carolina College, sixteen hundred dollars.

For the pay of the magazine guard, to consist of an officer, sergeant and twenty-four men, to be paid by and under the direction of the comptroller-general, eight thousand dollars.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the sum of six hundred dollars be, and the same is appropriated to the professor of logic and moral philosophy; and that the sum of six hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated to the professor of languages, in addition to what each of the said professors is already allowed, out of the funds annually appropriated to the South-Carolina College, agreeably to a principle established by the appropriation of the year eighteen hundred and twelve, of the like sums for that purpose.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the treasurer of Charleston, under the direction of the comptroller-general, in his presence,
and in the presence of the governor, president of
the senate, speaker of the house of representatives,
or in the presence of a majority of the persons
above named, shall, as soon as convenient af-
fter the passing of this act, cause all the paper me-
dium of this state, now in the treasury, or that may
be received previous to the next meeting of the
legislature, to be burnt; Provided that the sum
so burnt shall not exceed two thousand and sixty-
one dollars; and the said treasurer is hereby re-
quired to report to the legislature the amount of the
medium which may be burnt pursuant to this act.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the treasurer, on receiving any money from
the tax-collectors, or any other person, shall give
him or her two receipts for the same; and in case
any treasurer shall neglect to furnish any person
with two receipts as aforesaid, he shall forfeit and
pay a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, nor
less than fifty dollars, to be recovered in any court
having jurisdiction thereof; and the comptroller-
general, upon information made to him, shall take
the necessary measures to cause the same to be re-
covered.

And be it further enacted by the authority afores-
said, That certain monies now in the hands of John
M’Creary, late sheriff of Chester district, amount-
ing to one hundred and eighty-two dollars and
ninety cents, part of the estate of Thomas Andes-
sen, who lately died in the district aforesaid, leav-
ing no legal representatives known within the li-
mits of this state, and the same shall be, and is
hereby vested in the trustees of the Chester Aca-
demy, in the district of Chester, for the promotion
of the benevolent purposes of the said academy,
and for endowing and supporting the said acade-
my, any law, usage or custom to the contrary not-
withstanding.

And be it further enacted by the authority afores-
said, That the following sums be, and they are
hereby appropriated to and for the following purposes, to wit: For repairing the court-house in Columbia, five hundred dollars.

For the gaol of Spartanburgh, three hundred dollars.

For John Martin and John Hart, witnesses in the case of the state against John Hughes for horse stealing, each eight dollars, in the whole sixteen dollars.

For James Kenedy, a witness in the case of the state against John James, jun. for horse stealing, eighteen dollars thirty-three and one third cents.

For Robert M'Faddin, as compensation for a negro who died in gaol while under sentence of death, one hundred and twenty-two dollars forty-three cents.

For Nicholas Summers, as compensation for a negro executed, one hundred and twenty-two dollars forty-three cents.

For repairing the court-house and gaol of Darlington district, five hundred dollars.

For repairing the court-house and gaol of Greenville district, one hundred and fifty dollars.

For William H. Wigg, as a remuneration for several articles impressed and paid for by him when commanding a detachment of the militia on Hilton Head the last year, and for several expressers, sixty-six dollars eighty-seven and a half cents.

For the legal representative of Peter Freneau, for printing in the year eighteen hundred and two, one hundred and forty-one dollars and four cents.

For John Norton, as a compensation for articles impressed, seventy-four dollars.

For David Rumph, late sheriff of Orangeburgh, whose accounts were examined the last session, and under paid, ten dollars.

For the assessor of St. Philip's and St. Michael's, as omitted by the legislature at their last session, one hundred and eighty dollars.

For Thomas William Price, for a negro exe-
cuted, one hundred and twenty-two dollars forty-three cents.

For John Hoff, when he shall deliver five hundred copies of the honorable judge Brevard’s digest of the laws of this state, five thousand four hundred and thirty-two dollars.

For John Staley, as a compensation for the use of his waggon and team, in transporting the baggage of the second detachment of the twenty-second regiment of South-Carolina militia to Slann’s Bluff, forty-five dollars.

For Zebulon Rudolph, steward of the South-Carolina College, as a compensation for the board and glass-tax of John Jones and John Farley, two hundred and sixty-seven dollars forty-two cents.

For Henry M’Gowen, for board of the said John Jones and John Farley during vacation, sixty-five dollars.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the appropriations of ten thousand dollars, for the river Saluda, and which has not been drawn out of treasury, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the treasurer of the lower division, under the direction of the comptroller-general, be, and he is hereby directed, on the application of William Wightman, the legal administrator of the late Prince of Luxemburg, to issue to the said William Wightman, as administrator aforesaid, the sum of twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars fifty cents, in stock of this state, bearing six per cent. interest, payable quarterly; and that upon the delivery of the said stock to the said William Wightman, administrator as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the treasurer, under the direction of the comptroller-general, to take from the said William Wightman, as administrator aforesaid, a full, absolute and final discharge from and against all claims and demands of every nature and
kind whatsoever, which the estate of the said Prince of Luxemburg may have against the state of South Carolina, and to record the same in the office of the secretary of state.

For aid in supporting the transient poor in Beaufort, five hundred dollars, to be paid to the Town Council of Beaufort, who shall make an annual return on oath, to the comptroller, and by him submitted to the legislature, the names and number of those relieved, and sums appropriated to each individual.

For Willis Williford, thirty-four dollars eighty-seven cents, the same being agreed to by the legislature the last session, and no appropriation made.

For Conrad Barsh, quarter-master to the second regiment, seventy-eight dollars six cents.

That the sum of three hundred dollars be appropriated for the purpose of paying Jane Reardon fourteen years arrear of pensions.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby authorized to settle the claim of Asa Delozier, in the manner and on the principles directed by a resolution of the legislature in the year eighteen hundred and twelve.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the following sums be, and they are hereby appropriated for military purposes:

For arms, and munitions of war, seventy-five thousand dollars.

For the defence of the maritime frontier and coasting trade, fifty thousand dollars.

For rifles to be made in the state, and contracted for by the governor, thirteen thousand dollars.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That thirty-seven thousand dollars be appropriated for the support of free schools.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this state will, and does hereby assume the
direct tax, which shall be imposed by the United States on South-Carolina, as its quota.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptroller-general be, and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed, forthwith to cause to be passed to the credit of the treasury of the United States, in the Bank of the State of South-Carolina, the sum of two hundred and sixty thousand dollars, (as the supposed amount of this states contingent of the direct tax,) and to apprize that officer of his having done so.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the direct tax imposed by the United States on this state, shall exceed the sum of two hundred and sixty thousand dollars, that it shall be the duty of the comptroller-general, and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause such excess to be passed to the credit of the treasurer of the United States, as soon as the same shall be ascertained.

To D. & J. J. Faust, for printing extracts from the journals of the senate, two hundred and fifty dollars.

For Henry Funn, for a negro executed, one hundred and twenty-two dollars forty-three cents, as recommended by a report of both houses.

And that the sum of seventy-three dollars eighty-six cents, be, and the same is hereby appropriated to William Hill, jun. administrator of the estate of William Hill, deceased, for principal and interest of an indent due said estate as reported on by the comptroller-general.

For the repairs of the state-house and fence, to be carried into effect by commissioners appointed by a resolution of the present session, six hundred dollars, if so much be necessary.

That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, be, and the same is hereby appropriated for repairing the court-house of Newberry district.

For the payment of the detachment under col.
Tucker, at Camp Alston, fifteen thousand dollars, if so much be necessary.

For Dr. William Hall, attending Darlington gaol, twenty-nine dollars.

For Dr. Derrel Hart, attending Orangeburgh gaol, fifty-three dollars fifty cents.

For Dr. Joseph Kirkland, attending magazine guard, one hundred and sixty-one dollars sixty-two cents.

For Dr. William Brown, for attending Barnwell gaol, nine dollars twenty-five cents.

For Dr. James Moultrie, junior, attending Charleston gaol, six hundred and six dollars ninety-two cents and one half.

For Dr. John Hart, attending Edgefield gaol, sixty-six dollars seventy-five cents.

For Dr. Samuel Shanklin, attending soldiers in the service of the state, fifty dollars and fifty cents.

To Joseph Eastland, esquire, twenty-six dollars and twenty-five cents, for his services as an attorney in defending the commissioners of the poor for St. Mathews parish, and the commissioners of the poor for Newberry district, in two suits brought against the said commissioners by the state, and in which two suits the state was nonsuited. The above account to be paid when the said bills shall be taxed, and certified by clerks of the respective courts where nonsuits were ordered, and delivered to the comptroller-general.

To Daniel Cole, in full of his account for serving as an escort under the orders of brigadier general Cuthbert, seventy-eight dollars forty-two cents.

For Wm. Branch, thirty-eight dollars twenty-five cents, for waggon and supplies furnished militia.

For Murdock Murckison, eighty-six dollars twenty-two cents, for services as quarter-master, waggon hire and supplies.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
An ACT to alter the Southern Circuit, so as to give to the district of Edgefield two weeks for the sitting of its Courts, and to alter the time of holding the election for Sheriff of Beaufort district.

WHEREAS many serious inconveniencies and evils have arisen, and are daily arising to the citizens of the district of Edgefield, by reason of the great accumulation of business, and the consequent accumulation of interest, costs and expense, from the attendance of parties and witnesses incident to a delay so ruinous, and which exist to such an extent, in but few, if any other districts in this state: and whereas the delay of criminal business alone in said district, calls aloud for a remedy:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the several courts included in the Southern Circuit, shall hereafter be held at the respective court-houses, at the following times, that is to say; the courts for the district of Lexington, shall be held on the second Mondays in March and October in each year; for the district of Richland, on the first Mondays in March and October in each year; for the district of Newberry, on the third Mondays in March and October in each year; for the district of Edgefield, on the fourth Mondays in March and October in each year; and that the court for the said district of Edgefield shall continue to sit at each term, for the space of two weeks, unless the business thereof shall be sooner dispatched; that the courts for the district of Barnwell, shall be held on the second Mondays after the fourth Mondays in March and October in each year; and the courts for the district of Orangeburg, shall be held on the third Mondays after the fourth Mondays in March and October in each year; and that all writs and processes, hereafter to be issued, shall be returnable
fifteen days previously to the times and periods herein before specified for the holding said courts respectively.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That immediately after the passing of this act, it shall be the duty of the clerk of the court for Edgefield district, and he is hereby required to draw the usual number of grand jurors, and also ninety-six petit and common plea jurors; and he shall divide the said petit and plea jurors into two classes of forty-eight each, for each of which said classes, the said clerk shall issue a venire facias, by virtue of which it shall be the duty of the sheriff of said district to summon the said first class of jurors to attend the court of the said district on the fourth Monday in March next after the passing of this act, and to summon the said second class of jurors on the first Monday after the fourth Monday in March next after the passing of this act; and it shall be the duty of the said jurors to attend at the times to which they are so respectively summoned, and that each class shall serve one week, unless they are sooner discharged. And it shall be the duty of the judge at the next court, and of any other judge at each succeeding court, to cause to be drawn, the same number of plea and petit jurors as is herein before specified, to be in the same manner classed and summoned to attend each succeeding court to be helden for said district, at the respective times and periods herein before also specified, that is to say; the first class on the fourth Mondays in March and October in each year, and the second class on the first Mondays after the fourth Mondays in March and October in each year; and that all the jurors so drawn and summoned as aforesaid, shall be good and lawful to all intents and purposes: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to deprive the said court of the right of drawing talesmen to serve as jurors, whenever it may be necessary.
And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the service of all writs and processes already served and returnable to the aforesaid respective district courts, included in the said Southern Circuit, shall be deemed as good and valid in law, for the courts hereafter to be held for the said districts respectively, as those writs and processes which shall hereafter be made returnable at the respective periods herein before prescribed for the holding said courts.

Whereas, the managers of election of sheriff for the district of Beaufort, have declined to act in the said election, because his excellency has not issued a writ of election for that purpose, by reason of which no election for the sheriff of that district has been advertised for the second Monday and Tuesday in January next:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said managers be, and they are hereby required to hold an election for sheriff of the said district, on the fourth Monday and Tuesday in January next; and the person then elected shall have and possess all the rights, privileges and powers of a sheriff, in as full and ample a manner as if he had been elected on the second Monday in the said month, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate,
THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to vest certain Real Estate in John M'Ninch.

WHEREAS John M'Ninch, whilst an alien, purchased certain real estates, which he has petitioned the legislature to vest in him:

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority
of the same, That all lands and real estates which
the said John M'Ninch may have purchased whilst
an alien, shall be, and the same are hereby vested
in the said John M'Ninch, his heirs and assigns,
for ever, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December,
in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the In-
dependence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

An ACT to amend and explain an act, entitled, "an
act limiting the term of service of certain officers,
who have heretofore held their offices during good
behaviour, and for other purposes therein men-
tioned," so far as relates to the mode of approving
the security to be given by the attorney-general,
solicitors, registers and commissioners in Equity.

WHEREAS, it is required by the aforesaid
act, that the attorney-general and solicitors shall respectively give bond with two good
securities, to the state of South-Carolina, to wit:
the attorney-general in the penal sum of ten thou-
sand dollars—and the solicitors each in the sum of
five thousand dollars, for the faithful discharge of
the duties of their respective offices; and it being
doubtful whether any person or persons are autho-
ized by the said act to approve of such security:

Be it enacted, by the honorable the Senate
and House of Representatives, now met and sit-
ting in general assembly, and by the authority of
the same, That the comptroller-general be, and
he is hereby authorized to approve of the security
hereafter to be given by the attorney-general and
solicitors respectively:

And whereas, B. H. Saxon hath, during the
present session of the legislature, been duly elected
a solicitor for the western circuit of this state, but
hath not given bond and security agreeable to the act
foresaid, or entered upon the duties of his office:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the comptrolr-general be, and he
is hereby authorized to approve of the security
and receive the bond to be executed by the said
B. H. Saxon, for the faithful discharge of the du-
ties of his office, any law, usage or custom to the
contrary notwithstanding.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That every register and commissioner in equi-
ity, who shall hereafter be appointed, shall exe-
cute a bond with good and sufficient security, for
the sum of ten thousand dollars, for the faithful per-
formance of the duties of their respective offices:
excepting the registers and commissioners of
Georgetown, Charleston and Beaufort, who shall
be required to give the same security as heretofore
required by law; the bonds to be taken and secu-
ties approved of by such commissioners as are or
shall be appointed to approve the securities of the
sheriff of the circuit court district in which the re-
gisters and commissioners aforesaid shall respect-
ively reside.

In the Senate House, the sixteenth day of December,
in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the In-
dependence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

An ACT to appoint certain Commissioners for the
purpose of assessing the value of certain lands in
the Parish of St. Philip's, on which Fortifica-
tions are now erecting for the defence of Char-
leston, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate
and House of Representatives, now met and
sitting in general assembly, and by the authority
of the same, That Keating Simons, Robert Little, Bartholomew Carroll, John J. Bulow and Samuel Robertson, shall be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to assess the lands in the parish of St. Philip's, in the district of Charleston, on which fortifications are now erecting for the defence of Charleston, on the land side, and also such a number of feet both in front and rear of the works, as by them may be deemed necessary for the defence and protection of the same, and to contract with the owners of the said lands, for the purchase thereof for the use of the state.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case the owners of the said lands be not satisfied with the assessment and valuation made by the commissioners above mentioned, that they are hereby authorized, impowered and required to appoint an equal number of commissioners with those above named on their part for the purpose of making the valuation of the said lands, and that the commissioners above named, and such as may be appointed by the owners of the said lands, or a majority of them, shall value and assess the same.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case of vacancies happening in the number of commissioners above named, by death, resignation or otherwise, the governor for the time being shall fill such vacancy or vacancies by appointment.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in case the commissioners named, and those who may be appointed in pursuance of any of the provisions of this act, or a majority of them, should not agree in making the valuation and assessment of the said lands, the governor for the time being, shall nominate and appoint a fit and proper person, as umpire, to make an assessment and valuation of the said land, which assessment and valuation is hereby declared to be final and conclusive, as respects the owners of the soil.
And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the valuation and contract for the lands aforesaid, shall be laid before the legislature at their next session, and shall not be binding on the state, until the same be approved of by them.

In the Senate House, the sixteenth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to appropriate a sum of Money annually, for the purchase of a Library for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives of this state.

BE IT ENACTED by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the sum of five hundred dollars be annually appropriated for the purchase of a library for the use of the members of the senate and house of representatives of this state.

In the Senate House, the sixteenth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to prohibit the Students of the South-Carolina College from using the State-house in Columbia in future, to hold their commencement ball in.

WHEREAS the State-house in the town of Columbia, is intended for state purposes only, and the legislature has heretofore, on the application of the students of the South-Carolina
College, permitted it to be used for their commencement ball: and whereas such use has been found incompatible with the safety of the house, and the records of the offices of secretary of state and surveyor-general, and the papers and funds of the treasury and of the Branch Bank of the state of South-Carolina, deposited therein:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South-Carolina, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That hereafter the students of the South-Carolina College shall be, and they are hereby for ever prohibited from holding their commencement ball in the state house in the town of Columbia, and from dashing therein.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE.
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to establish certain Roads, Bridges and Ferries, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the toll bridge over Black river, in Williamsburgh district, the term of years for which establishment is expired, shall be re-established, and vested in Robert Lowry, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years, and that the same rates of toll, and no more, be it law heretofore authorized to be received.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry over the Congaree river, known by the name of M'Cord's ferry, the term of years for
which the same was established is about to expire; shall be re-established, and vested in the heirs of the late John Paul Thompson, deceased, for the term of fourteen years; and that the same rates of ferriage be taken and received at the same, as were heretofore allowed by law.

And whereas, doctor Raoul has been at considerable expense in building bridges over certain lakes which run through the road which leads to the said ferry, and has prayed the legislature to make it the duty of the commissioners of the roads to keep the said bridges in repair:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said bridges over the said lakes shall be kept in repair by the board of commissioners of roads and bridges, in whose jurisdiction they shall be: Provided the said commissioners shall not be required to rebuild or repair any bridge built over said lakes, that may have been removed by freshets, or so injured as to require more time for the repair thereof than in the opinion of the commissioners they can with propriety appropriate to such repairs within the time now allowed by law for working on public roads.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry over Drowning creek, in Marion Newsom's district, the term of which establishment has expired, be re-established, and vested in John Newsom, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years; and that the same rates of ferriage, and no more, shall be taken thereat as were heretofore allowed by law to be taken.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the toll bridge over Little Pee Dee, in Marion Newsom district, commonly known by the name of Barfield's Mills, the term of which establishment has expired, be re-established, and vested in John Newsom, his heirs and assigns, for the term of fourteen years; and that the same rates of toll, and no more, shall be taken thereat, as were heretofore allowed by law to be taken.
College, permitted it to be used for their commencement ball: and whereas such use has been found incompatible with the safety of the house, and the records of the offices of secretary of state and surveyor-general, and the papers and funds of the treasury and of the Branch Bank of the state of South-Carolina, deposited therein:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South-Carolina, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That thereafter the students of the South-Carolina College shall lie, and they are hereby for ever prohibited from holding their commencement ball in the state-house in the town of Columbia, and from dancing therein.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS PENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to establish certain Roads, Bridges and Ferries, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the toll bridge over Black river, in Williamsburgh district, the term of years for which establishment is expired, shall be re-established, and vested in Robert Lowry, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years, and that the same rates of toll, and no more, be taken and received at the said bridge, as were by law heretofore authorized to be received.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry over the Congaree river, known by the name of McCord's ferry, the term of years for
which the same was established is about to expire, shall be re-established, and vested in the heirs of the late John Paul Thompson, deceased, for the term of fourteen years; and that the same rates of ferry be taken and received at the same, as were heretofore allowed by law.

And whereas, doctor Raoul has been at considerable expense in building bridges over certain lakes which run through the road which leads to the said ferry, and has prayed the legislature to make it the duty of the commissioners of the roads to keep the said bridges in repair:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said bridges over the said lakes shall be kept in repair by the board of commissioners of roads and bridges, in whose jurisdiction they shall be: Provided the said commissioners shall not be required to rebuild or repair any bridge built over said lakes, that may have been removed by freshets, or so injured as to require more time for the repair thereof than in the opinion of the commissioners they can with propriety appropriate to such repairs within the time now allowed by law for working on public roads.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry over Drowning creek, in Marion Newsom district, the term of which establishment has expired, be re-established, and vested in John Newsom, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years; and that the same rates of ferry, and no more, shall be taken thereat as were heretofore allowed by law to be taken.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the toll bridge over Little Pee dee, in Marion Newsom district, commonly known by the name of Bar field's Mills, the term of which establishment has expired, be re-established, and vested in John Newsom, his heirs and assigns, for the term of fourteen years; and that the same rates of toll, and no more, shall be taken thereat, as were heretofore allowed by law to be taken.
And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the ferry on Savannah river, in the district of Barnwell, known by the name of Burton's ferry, shall be re-established, and vested in Bartlett Brown, his heirs and assigns, for seven years; and that the following rates of ferryage, and no more, be taken at the same, to wit: For every man and horse, twelve and a half cents; for every carriage with two wheels, thirty-seven and a half cents; for every carriage with four wheels, seventy-five cents; for every led horse, six and a quarter cents; for every foot passenger, six and a quarter cents; and for every head of cattle, sheep, goats or hogs, four cents.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the toll bridge over Little Pee Dee, in Marion district, commonly called Harrelson's bridge, the term of which establishment has expired, be re-established, and vested in Isaac Lewis, his heirs and assigns, for the term of fourteen years, and that the same rates of toll be taken thereat as were heretofore allowed by law.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the bridge on Edisto river, called Holman's bridge, the term of which establishment has expired, be re-established, and vested in John Holman, his heir and assigns, for the term of fourteen years, and that the same rates of toll be taken thereat as were heretofore allowed by law: Provided, That all persons in the neighborhood of the said bridge, going to and returning from the church, the mill, or blacksmith shop, be, and the same are hereby exempted from the toll thereof.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
That the toll bridge over Black river, in Williamsburg district, called Mouzon's bridge, the term of which establishment has expired, shall be re-established, and vested in Susannah Mouzon and the heirs of the late Henry Mouzon, deceased, their heirs and assigns, for the term of fourteen
years, and that the same rates of toll, and no more, shall be received as were heretofore allowed by law to be taken and received.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That John Beck is hereby authorized and permitted to build a public toll bridge across Savannah river, at or near the ferry on the said river belonging to and vested in the said Beck; and that the said bridge, when built, shall be vested in the said John Beck, his heirs and assigns, for the term of fifty years, and that the same rates of toll, and no more, shall be received at the said bridge as are allowed and received at the bridge at Augusta: Provided that the said John Beck do, at all times when his cause-way is inundated, provide a suitable conveyance to the next high land. Provided also, that the said John Beck shall either build the said bridge sufficiently high to permit the passage of boats and rafts under it, or shall keep a proper draw for that purpose: And provided also, that the said John Beck shall complete the same in seven years from the passing of this act.

And whereas, The said John Beck hath been at considerable expense in laying out and keeping in repair a road from the Charleston road to his said ferry, two miles in length, through a deep swamp, near one quarter of mile in length, with two bridges across the same in the said swamp, one hundred and sixty feet long, as a compensation for his said trouble:

Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said two bridges built across the said road, in the said swamp, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be public toll bridges, and vested in the said John Beck, his heirs and assigns, for and during the continuance of the term last aforesaid; and that for passing the said last mentioned bridges across the said road in the said swamp, the following and no greater rates of toll shall be received, to wit: For every carriage with four wheels,
twenty-five cents; for every carriage with two wheels, twelve and one half cents; for every man and horse, six and one quarter cents; for every led horse, three cents; and for every head of cattle, sheep, goats or hogs, three cents.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry on Broad river, commonly called Persson’s ferry, the term of which establishment has expired, shall be re-established, and vested in John Morris, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years, and that the rates of ferriage, and no more, be received at said ferry as are allowed and received at Ashford’s on Broad river.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry on Broad river, commonly called Howel’s ferry, the term of which establishment has expired, shall be re-established and vested in Williamson Howel, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years, and that the following rates of ferriage, and no more, shall be taken at said ferry, to wit: For every carriage with four wheels, fifty cents; for every carriage with two wheels, twenty-five cents; for every man and horse, twelve and one half cents; for every led horse, six and one quarter cents; for every foot passenger, six and one quarter cents; and for every head of cattle, sheep, goats or hogs, two cents; for every hog’s head of tobacco, horses and driver, twenty-five cents.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry on Broad river belonging to George Ruff, the term of which establishment is now expired, shall be re-established and vested in George Ruff, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years, and that the same rates of ferriage shall be taken and received at the same, as were heretofore allowed by law to be taken.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry on Catawba river, called McNeannah’s ferry, the term of which establishment has expired, shall be re-established and vested in Fin-
by McClenahan, his heirs and assigns, for the term of seven years, and that the following rates of ferryage be taken, to wit: Every waggon, horses and driver, seventy-five cents; four wheel carriage, horses and driver, fifty cents; cart and other two wheel carriage, horses and driver, twenty-five cents; man and horse, twelve and a half cents; led horse, six and one fourth cents; foot passenger, six and one fourth cents; for every head of black cattle, sheep, goats or hogs, three cents.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry heretofore established over Columbia river, from the extremity of Senate street, be, and the same is hereby re-established, and the profits arising therefrom be equally divided, one half to be vested in the trustees of the Columbia academy, for the benefit of that institution, and the other half in Henry P. Hampton, the only surviving son of Richard Hampton, deceased, for the term of seven years, and that the rates of ferryage shall be the same as are established at the ferry known by the name of Hampton’s ferry at Granby, over the said river.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the nineteenth and twentieth clauses in the act, entitled, “An act to establish certain roads, bridges and ferries therein mentioned,” passed the nineteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and nine, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed, and that the public road which passes over the upper bridge on Cedar creek, which was discontinued by the said law, shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be a high way and public road, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That certain clauses in the act establishing certain roads, bridges and ferries, passed at the last session of the legislature, directing and ordering certain roads then running through the plantation of John Singleton, for the benefit of John W. Rees, to be
And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That in future all assessments to be made by the commissioners of the high roads and bridges throughout this state, for the building or repairing of bridges or causeways, or repairing roads, shall be assessed on the principles of the general tax, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Penalty for taking unlawful toll or ferryage.

Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That any ferry-man, person or persons owning or keeping any toll bridge or ferry, who shall receive greater toll or ferryage than is allowed by law, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace; one half of which sum shall go to the informer, and the other half to the use of the poor of the district or parish in which such sum is recovered.

Higgins' ferry over Saluda river re-established.

And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the ferry on Saluda river, commonly called Higgin's ferry, the term of which establishment has expired, shall be re-established, and that the same, on the north side of said river, be vested in Francis Higgins, his heirs and assigns, for and during the term of seven years; and that the said ferry, on the south side of said river, be vested in Azariah Abney, his heirs and assigns, for the like term; and that the following rates of ferryage, and no more, shall be taken at said ferry, to wit: for every waggon and team, or other four wheel carriage, fifty cents; for every two wheeled carriage, twenty-five cents; for every rolling hogshead of tobacco, twenty-five cents; for every man and horse, six and one quarter cents; for each foot passenger, or led horse, three cents; and for each head of cattle, sheep, goats or hogs, two cents.

Whereas, The legislature did, at their last session, enact that certain commissioners should be, and were appointed to survey, ascertain, and report to the legislature at their present sitting, the most direct route from Granby to Augusta in Georgia, and that they should declare in said re-
port the difference in the distance between the present established road and the one to be surveyed, and whereas the said commissioners have neglected or refused so to do:

Be it therefore enacted, That William Williams, Hezekiah Allman, William Washington Williams, Benjamin Busbee, and Charles Goodwin, be appointed commissioners in their room for the said purpose, and that they or a majority, do make their report at the next session of the legislature.

And be it further enacted, That the board of commissioners for St. Luke's parish shall hereafter hold their meetings on the third Monday in January and July.

And be it enacted, That the road in the parish of St. Lukes, called the Honey Hill Road, and leading from the Euhaw settlements to the Sister ferry, be, and the same is hereby constituted a public road.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to empower the Vestry and Wardens of Trinity Church, and certain Commissioners on the part of the first Presbyterian Church, in the town of Columbia, to establish a Lottery or Lotteries.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the vestry and wardens of the said church for the time being, shall have power and authority, and they are hereby fully authorized and empowered, to establish one or more lottery or lotteries, and to proceed to the drawing of the same, for the use, benefit, and support of the said church:
Provided, The sum of money to be raised thereby shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars. And be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That col. Thomas Taylor, major Henry D. Ward, Edward D. Smith, John Hooker, and John Murphy, be, and they, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized and empowered, for the sole use and benefit of the First Presbyterian Church in the town of Columbia, to establish and proceed to draw, and finally conclude, one or more lottery or lotteries, for the purpose of completing the above mentioned Presbyterian church, now building in the town of Columbia: Provided, that the sum thereby to be raised, shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An ACT to oblige the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, the Ordinary, and Register of Mesne Conveyances for the district of Orangeburgh, to deliver certain Records, Wills and other Papers in their hands.

Be it enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the clerk of the court of common pleas and sessions, the ordinary, and register of mesne conveyances of and for the district of Orangeburgh, be, and they are hereby authorized and required to deliver to the clerk of the court of common pleas and sessions, the ordinary and register of mesne conveyances of Barnwell district respectively, all such records, deeds, wills and
other papers relating to their respective offices, and which have heretofore been transferred from the old county court of Winton; and that all reasonable expenses attending such conveyance, shall be paid by the state.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE, President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

An Act Concerning the Navigation of Broad, Pacolet and Edisto rivers, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS the navigation of Broad and Pacolet rivers are much impeded and obstructed by the erecting fish dams and drops in the said rivers, to the great danger and inconvenience of the citizens of this state navigating the said rivers:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the board of commissioners for opening and improving the navigation of Broad and Pacolet rivers, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to remove every fish dam or trap in either of the said rivers, which shall in any manner impede, injure or obstruct the navigation of either of the said rivers.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all persons who are now bound by law to work on Pacolet and Broad rivers, shall be, and they are hereby exempted from working on the roads while they continue to work on said rivers.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That Thomas Young and John Holman, be,
and they are hereby authorized and empowered to erect a mill-dam at their mill-seat on South Edisto river: Provided, that if the said Thomas Young and John Holman shall, at any time, for the space of twenty-four hours, fail or neglect to keep open such slopes or locks as will be sufficient for the passage of boats and rafts navigating the said river, every privilege and advantage hereby granted and conferred upon them, shall cease, determine and become null.

Whereas, Samuel Howard, of Savannah, in the state of Georgia, hath contracted with John L. Sullivan, of Boston, for the assignment of a patent right, granted to him by the Secretary of State of the United States, for towing and warping ships and loaded boats, by means of other boats impelled by steam. And whereas, the legislature of Georgia hath granted to the said Samuel Howard and others, the exclusive privilege, for the term of twenty years, of towing and warping ships and loaded boats, by means of other boats impelled by steam, in the river Savannah. And whereas, the said Samuel Howard hath petitioned the legislature of this state to pass a law in his favour to the same purport and intent. And whereas, the legislature duly appreciating the improved mode of transportation contemplated in the said petition, and being desirous to encourage and aid in carrying the same into effect:

Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Samuel Howard and his associates, their heirs and assigns, shall have, for the term of twenty years, the exclusive privilege of towing and warping ships and loaded boats, by means of other boats impelled by steam, in the river Savannah, any law, usace or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That captain John Woodward and Thomas Whitaker, be, and they are hereby appointed
commissioners on the part and in behalf of the state, and that two commissioners shall be appointed by the president of the Catawba company, on the part and in the behalf of the said Catawba company, to ascertain the amount of money expended advantageously in the opening the Catawba river; the amount expended for other purposes, and the amount given for stock by the present stockholders, the amount of money arising from the sale of lands sold by the said company; and that they do report the same to the next session of the legislature.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if either or both of the commissioners first named, refuse to act, then and in that case the governor shall appoint persons to act in their place; and if both or either of the last mentioned commissioners shall refuse to act, then and in that case the said company shall appoint persons to act in their place.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said commissioners are hereby directed and required to meet on the first Monday in August; and they are hereby authorized to choose a fifth person to act with them for the purposes aforesaid.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the suit now pending in the court of equity against the said company on the complaint of the state, be suspended until the next session of the legislature: Provided the said company desist from making any further sale of their lands, any law to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

In the Senate House, the twenty-first day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
An ACT to enable William Wood to change his present name to that of William Elliott Wood.

WHEREAS William Wood hath petitioned the legislature to change his present name to that of William Elliott Wood:

Be it therefore enacted by the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, now met and sitting in general assembly, and by the authority of the same That the said William Wood be, and he is hereby authorized to change his present name to that of William Elliott Wood, and that he shall hereafter be known and distinguished in law, and in all transactions in law, wherein he may be bound or obliged, or wherein any person or persons may be bound and obliged to him, by no other name but that of William Elliott Wood.

In the Senate House, the twentieth day of December, in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and in the thirty-ninth Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JAMES R. PRINGLE,
President of the Senate.

THOMAS BENNETT, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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