

And be it further enacted,

Penalty on non-observance.

[SECT. 8.] That every dwelling-house which shall be built otherwise than by this act is provided, shall be subjected to a yearly tax of twenty pounds; and every warehouse, shop, stable or barn, to a yearly tax of ten pounds; to be paid into the town treasury by the occupier thereof for the use of the town: and the assessors shall accordingly add such sum or sums to the town tax of every such occupant yearly, over and above the sum with which he would otherwise have been taxed, and shall particularly specify the same in the tax-bill.

Provided, always, —

Proviso.

[SECT. 9.] That it shall and may be lawful for any person to build of wood, any warehouse, shop or workhouse, upon any wharff where, in the opinion of the selectmen, no solid foundation can be had without great expence, on condition that the sides of such warehouse, shop or workhouse be covered with plaister or slate, and the roof covered with slate or tiles, any thing in this act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Preamble.

And whereas sundry persons have heretofore inconsiderately erected dwelling-houses or other buildings in a manner contrary to the provision of an act made and passed in the fourth year of the reign of their late majesties King William and Queen Mary, intituled “An Act for building with stone or brick in the town of Boston, and preventing fire,” —

1692-93, chap. 13.

Be it enacted,

Former breaches of law, in what case excused.

[SECT. 10.] That every such person be indemnified and saved harmless from any prosecution for violating the act aforesaid: *provided* that the house or other building so erected by him shall be covered with slate, or with tiles, within ten years from the first day of June, one thousand seven hundred and sixty. [Passed June 20.]

CHAPTER 10.

AN ACT IMPOWERING WILLIAM BOLLAN, ESQ., AND IN CASE HE IS PREVENTED BY SICKNESS OR DEATH, BARLOW TRECOTHICK, ESQ., TO RECEIVE THE SUM WHICH IS OR SHALL BE ASSIGNED TO THE PROVINCE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY, OUT OF THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING, GRANTED BY THE PARLIAMENT OF GREAT BRITAIN FOR THE EXPENCE INCURRED BY THE RESPECTIVE PROVINCES IN NORTH AMERICA, IN THE LEVYING, CLOATHING AND PAY OF THE TROOPS RAISED BY THE SAME, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINE.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the parliament of Great Britain, in their last session, granted the sum of two hundred thousand pounds sterling, to enable his majesty to give a proper compensation to the respective provinces in North America, for the expences incurred by them in the levying, cloathing and pay of the troops raised by the same, according to the active vigour and strenuous efforts of the respective provinces in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, —

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and House of Representatives,

William Bollan, Esq., empowered to receive parliamentary grant for 1759; and Barlow Trecothick,

[SECT. 1.] That William Bollan, Esq., agent for this province in Great Britain, and in case he is prevented by sickness or death, Barlow Trecothick, Esq., be and is hereby authorized and empowered to receive the whole and every part of the sum assigned, or that shall be assigned, by his majesty to the province of the Massachusetts Bay, out

of the grant aforesaid, and upon receipt thereof to give a full discharge therefor to the right honourable, the lords commissioners of the treasury, or to any person or persons whatsoever who shall have the same or any part thereof in his or their hands or possession; and that the said William Bolland, or Barlow Trecothick, pursue such instructions as they shall respectively receive from the general court with regard to the transportation of the same to this province.

And be it further enacted,

[SECT. 2.] That the treasurer of the province for the time being be and is hereby fully authorized and empowered to demand and receive the whole and every part of said sum of money, from the commander of any vessel on board of which the same shall have been ship'd, on the arrival thereof within this government. [*Passed June 20; published June 23.*]

Esq., in case,
&c.

Treasurer to
receive it on its
arrival.

CHAPTER 11.

AN ACT FOR APPORTIONING AND ASSESSING THE SUM OF NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN POUNDS ELEVEN SHILLINGS; ALSO FOR APPORTIONING AND ASSESSING A TAX OF SIXTY-NINE POUNDS, FOR FINES LAID UPON TOWNS THAT HAVE NOT SENT ANY PERSONS TO REPRESENT THEM IN THE GENERAL COURT THE PRESENT YEAR; ALSO FOR APPORTIONING AND ASSESSING A TAX OF TWO THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE POUNDS FOUR SHILLINGS, PAID THE REPRESENTATIVES FOR THEIR TRAVEL, SERVICE AND ATTENDANCE IN THE GENERAL COURT IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINE; ALSO FOR ASSESSING A TAX OF NINETEEN POUNDS EIGHTEEN SHILLINGS UPON THE TOWN OF FALMOUTH AND DISTRICT OF HARPSWELL, IN THE COUNTY OF YORK, TO BE LEVIED UPON THE PEOPLE CALLED QUAKERS, IN LIEU OF FURNISHING THEIR RESPECTIVE QUOTAS OF MEN FOR THE MILITARY SERVICE IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHT.

WHEREAS the great and general court or assembly of this province did, in their sessions in May, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight, levy a tax of one hundred thousand pounds; and also, in their session in March, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-nine, did levy another tax of eighteen thousand pounds; and also, in their session in April following, did levy another tax of fourteen thousand five hundred and sixty pounds; and did also, in their session in October following, levy a tax of sixty-four thousand pounds, but by a subsequent act of the province, made and passed in January, one thousand seven hundred and sixty, — upon this province receiving twenty-seven thousand five hundred and seventy-four pounds ten shillings, part of the parliamentary grant, — they ordered and directed that, instead of a tax of sixty-four thousand pounds, there be issued but thirty-five thousand pounds: all which sums amount to one hundred and sixty-seven thousand five hundred and sixty pounds; and by said acts provision was made that the general court, at this present session, might apportion the same on the several towns, districts, parishes and places within this province, if they thought fit; and *whereas* a number of persons, possessors of government securities that will become due in June, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-one, to prevent so heavy a tax going forth, which otherwise must have been issued, and, at the same time, to support the faith of the government, have engaged to lend the government the sum of seventy thousand two hundred and fourteen

1758-59, ch. 4, § 7.

1758-59, chap.

28, § 3.

1758-59, chap.

32, § 5.

1759-60, ch. 8, § 4.

1759-60, chap.

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