

Dec. Ses. 1821. council, in favor of the original holders thereof or their assignees, for one hundred thousand dollars, bearing an interest of five per cent per annum, payable quarter-yearly, said certificates to be issued for not less than five hundred dollars each, to be transferable on the books of the treasury, and redeemable in fifteen years at the pleasure of the state; and the faith of the state is hereby pledged for the payment of the said stock and interest.

Farmers' bank debt. 2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said treasurer be and he is hereby directed and empowered, out of the money arising from the sale of the stock aforesaid, to pay to the Farmers' Bank of Maryland, the debt of forty thousand dollars due by the state to said bank.

Treasurer may dispose of stock. 3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the treasurer of the western shore, be, and he is hereby authorised to dispose of said stock at such time or times, and on such terms, not inconsistent with the first section of this act, as he may deem most advantageous to the state.

Felony to forge 4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be deemed and taken to be felony, to forge or counterfeit any certificate of said stock, or letter of attorney for the transfer thereof; and any person so offending shall be held liable to the same penalties and forfeitures as are at present attached to the forgery or counterfeiting bank notes in this state.

CHAPTER 205.

Passed Feb. 22, 1822. *An additional supplement to an act for the better regulation of the Militia of the city of Baltimore.*

Courts of inquiry may report—neglect SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *By the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the courts of inquiry as constituted by the twenty second section of the act to which this is a supplement, shall have power to report not only the commanding officers, but any of the officers within their respective brigades, who may have infringed or neglected or refused to comply with the provisions of said act; and the said courts of inquiry shall make their reports as aforesaid respectively on or before the first day of March in each year; and if the said courts shall neglect or refuse to comply with this or any part of the said section, each member of the same shall be fined not exceeding thirty dollars in the discretion of such court martial, as the case may require: *Provided,* that the same is not repugnant to other sections of the act to which this is supplement.

Proviso.

Officers infringing

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any officer shall infringe or neglect or refuse to comply with the provision of the twenty-seventh section of the act to which this is a supplement, he shall be liable to be fined not exceeding thirty dollars in the discretion of such court martial, as the case may require.

May suspend adoption of Brigade uniform—bands.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the brigadier-general of each brigade, with their commanding officers of regiments and extra battalion, or a majority of them, may suspend in their respective brigades, for the term of two years, under such modifications as they may judge advisable, the adoption of the brigade uniform as established under said act; and the said officers of each brigade respectively, or a majority of them, may prescribe uniforms for bands, and may alter such parts of the established uniform as they may deem proper: *Provided,* such alteration shall not extend to a smaller body than an entire regiment or extra battalion.

Proviso.