

LAWS OF THE STATE.

ACTS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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AN ACT TO ABROGATE AND SINK ALL THAT PORTION OF THE DEBT OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA INCURRED IN AID OF THE LATE REBELLION AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

Whereas article fourteen, in amendment of the Constitution of the United States, in Section four thereof, among other things, enjoins that neither the United States, nor any State, shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for the loss or emancipation of any slave; but all such debts, obligations and claims shall be held illegal and void; and whereas the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, in Article nine section sixteen, enjoin that no debt contracted by this State in behalf of the late rebellion, in whole or in part, shall ever be paid; therefore, SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 all of the indebtedness and obligations whatsoever of the State of South Carolina, coming within the constitutional prohibitions aforesaid, as contracted or incurred in aid of the late rebellion, or which are covered or described by or under such prohibitions, or either of them, and all authority for incurring or assuming such indebtedness or obligations on the part of the said State, are, all and singular, hereby abrogated and declared held to be illegal and absolutely null and void.

SECTION 2. All such indebtedness and obligations of the said State, as are mentioned in the next preceding section shall be immediately dropped and excluded from the debt of this State, and shall never be reckoned with nor form any part of the same.

SECTION 3. Whoever shall violate this act shall, on conviction, be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 27, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO FIX THE TIME FOR CERTAIN STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS TO REPORT.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 on and after the passage of this act, the comptroller-general, and all other State officers who are now required by law to report to the General Assembly, be, and they are hereby, required to make such report on or before the first day of November, in each and every successive year.

SECTION 2. That all county officers who are now required by law to report to any superior county or State officer, be, and they are hereby, required to make such report on or before the first day of November, in each and every successive year.

SECTION 3. Any of the officers above enumerated who shall fail to comply with the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor in office, and, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars, nor more than three thousand dollars, or be imprisoned for a term of not less than one month, nor more than two years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

SECTION 4. The attorney-general is hereby specially charged with the prompt and rigorous enforcement of the provisions of this act.

SECTION 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Approved February 27, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO REQUIRE STATE AND COUNTY OFFICERS ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE TO QUALIFY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION THEREOF.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 from the passage of this act it shall be the duty of each and every State and county officer elected by the people to qualify within thirty days after receiving official notification thereof; and upon the filing of his bond and qualification according to law, he shall enter upon the duties of said office.

SECTION 2. If any officer elected by the people shall fail to qualify and enter upon the duties of his office as required by the provisions of this act, he shall forfeit the office to which he has been elected, and the Governor is authorized to order an election to be held within ninety days to fill the vacancy.

SECTION 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved January 29, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA."

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 the county commissioners shall, before entering upon the duties of their office, be, and they are hereby, required to give a bond for the use of their respective counties, in the penal sum of two thousand dollars each, with three good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the clerk of court of their respective counties, conditioned upon the faithful and impartial performance of the duties of their office: Provided, That the county commissioners of Charleston shall furnish a bond, as heretofore provided, in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars each, and the county commissioners of the Counties of Beaufort, Barnwell and Richland, shall furnish a bond of five thousand dollars each, as heretofore provided: Provided, further, That this act shall not be in force until on and after the next general election of county commissioners.

SECTION 2. That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved January 29, A. D. 1873.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO REPEAL THE TRUSTEES OF THE STATE ORPHAN ASYLUM TO INVITE PROPOSALS FOR A SITE AND BUILDING, AND FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS THEREFOR.

Whereas, The State Orphan Asylum, in the City of Charleston, claims the fostering care of the State, and some provision is urgently needed for a better building and a more suitable site; therefore, SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 upon the passage of this act, the Trustees of the State Orphan Asylum be, and they are hereby, authorized and required to advertise for sixty days for proposals from the various cities, towns and counties of the State for a site and building for an orphan asylum, at a cost not to exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars; that said proposals shall, at the expiration of the aforesaid time, be opened and considered by the trustees, who shall decide upon the location and contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the purchase of the site and construction of the building, and report their proceedings, in detail, to the next session of the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. That the sum of twenty thousand dollars, if so much be necessary, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the purchase of the site and construction of the building: Provided, That said trustees shall each give a bond in the penal sum of two thousand dollars, with two good sureties, for the faithful discharge of the duties herein entrusted to them, said bond to be approved by the judge of the First Judicial Circuit, and filed in the office of the clerk of court.

Approved February 27, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO ALTER AND AMEND SECTION FORTY-FIVE, (45) OF CHAPTER TWENTY-FIVE, (25) OF TITLE SIX, (6) OF PART FIRST, (1) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO TRUSTEES.

Be it enacted by 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 Section forty-five, (45) of Chapter twenty-five, (25) of Title six, (6) of Part first, (1) of the General Statutes be, and the same is hereby, altered and amended by striking out all of said section after the word "office."

Approved February 27, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE INCORPORATED CITIES AND TOWNS IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA."

Be it enacted by 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 Section 3 of an Act entitled "An Act to provide for the election of the officers of the incorporated cities and towns in the State of South Carolina," be amended on line four and five, as follows: Strike out "seven" (7) and "five" (5) and insert "six" (6) in lieu thereof.

Approved January 25, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 12, CHAPTER CIII, OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Be it enacted by 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 Section 12, Chapter CIII, of the General Statutes of South Carolina, be amended by adding after the word "dollars," line 15, these words: "or be imprisoned for a period not less than one month nor more than one year, at the discretion of the court."

Approved January 25, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER I, SECTION 4, OF REVISED STATUTES OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 Chapter fifty (L), section four (4), of the General Statutes of South Carolina, be, and the same is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the section the following proviso: Provided, it shall not be lawful for any person, resident of the sea islands, in the County of Beaufort, to allow horses or mules to run at large from the first day of April till the first day of November; nor cattle, sheep or goats, from the first day of April till the first day of December; nor hogs, from the first day of March till the first day of December.

SECTION 2. That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, or in any way conflicting with any of its provisions, are hereby repealed.

Approved February 26, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN ASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE YEAR 1873.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 an assessment of the real property in this State shall be made in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three (1873) at the same time that the assessment of personal property is made, and in the manner, and according to the rules prescribed for the assessment of real property in Chapter XII of Title III of the General Statutes.

SECTION 2. The comptroller-general is hereby authorized and directed to adopt the measures necessary to carry out the intent of this act, and to exercise, for the purpose of making and completing the assessment provided for in this act, all the powers relating to the assessment of real property conferred upon him by the chapter of the General Statutes heretofore cited.

Approved February 27, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CERTAIN COUNTIES TO LEVY AND COLLECT AN ADDITIONAL TAX FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 the county commissioners of the several counties herein mentioned be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to levy and collect a special tax as hereinafter specified, on the taxable property of the said counties, said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; said tax to be devoted exclusively to the payment of the past due indebtedness of the said counties, viz: For the County of Marion, three (3) mills; for the County of Orangeburg, three (3) mills; for the County of Richland, one and one-half (1 1/2) mills; for the County of Lancaster, two (2) mills; for the County of Newberry, two (2) mills: Provided, That all claims, for the payment of which the special tax herein authorized is levied, shall be registered in the office of the Clerk of the Court of the County in which such tax is levied, on or before the first day of October, 1873, and all claims of claimants failing to register the same within the said time shall not be paid.

SECTION 2. That the county commissioners of the County of Marion, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of (3) mills upon a dollar of all the taxable property in said county, the said tax to be devoted exclusively to repairing the bridges, in said county, across Kingston Lake and Soanstead Creek, and to the payment of the past indebtedness of the county.

SECTION 3. That the county commissioners of the County of Williamsburg, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of all the taxable property of the said county; said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; the same to be used exclusively for the purpose of paying the indebtedness caused by the building of the jail in the said county.

Approved February 20, A. D. 1873.

A BILL TO FIX THE TIME OF HOLDING THE APRIL TERM OF THE SUPREME COURT.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 April term of the Supreme Court shall commence on the third Tuesday of April in each year.

SECTION 2. That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act, be and the same are hereby, repealed.

Approved January 25, A. D. 1873.

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Be it enacted by 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 Section 12, Chapter CIII, of the General Statutes of South Carolina, be amended by adding after the word "dollars," line 15, these words: "or be imprisoned for a period not less than one month, nor more than one year, at the discretion of the court."

Approved February 25, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND SUPPORT OF A STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Whereas, the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, Article X, Section 6, declares: "Within five years after the first regular session of the General Assembly, following the adoption of this Constitution, it shall be the duty of the General Assembly to provide for the establishment and support of a State Normal School, which shall be open to all persons who may wish to become teachers; therefore, SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 there shall be established, in the City of Charleston, to be called "The South Carolina State Normal School," for the training and educating of teachers in the art of instructing and governing in the public schools of this State, which shall be open to all persons who may wish to become teachers.

SECTION 2. That there shall be appointed by the Governor, and with the approval of the Senate a board of regents to be called "The Board of State Normal School Regents," of which the Governor and State superintendent of education shall be ex officio members; this board shall be twelve in number, two of which shall be appointed from each Congressional district, and two from the State at large. The term of office of all members of the board of regents, hereafter to be appointed, (except when such appointment is for an unexpired term,) shall commence on the first day of April, and shall continue for three years, and until others are appointed by law. The board of regents shall be divided into three classes, so that the term of office of one class shall expire each year. The Governor shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur by death, resignation or otherwise, until the next meeting of the General Assembly, or while the General Assembly is not in session, but the appointments thus made shall be confirmed by the Senate during the next preceding session.

SECTION 3. That the officers of the board of regents shall be a President, Vice President and Secretary; they shall, severally, hold their offices for the term of one year, and until their successors are elected, and shall perform the duties incident to their office.

SECTION 4. That the board of regents shall hold an annual meeting at Columbia, on the first Monday in November in each year, or at such time as may hereafter be designated by said board. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from time to time. Special meetings of the board of regents may be called by the Governor, or the President of said board, on a petition signed for that purpose, by any three members of the board. At all special meetings of the board, two-thirds of all the regents shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. Any regent may be removed from office for cause, by a vote of two-thirds of the board.

SECTION 5. That the board of regents and their successors in office are hereby constituted a body corporate with the name and style of "The Board of State Normal School Regents of the State of South Carolina," and under that name and style shall have perpetual succession, with the right to purchase, have, hold, control, possess and enjoy to them and their successors in office, in trust for the State of South Carolina, for educational purposes solely, any lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattels, and effects of whatever nature or description the same may be, which may be necessary, and required for the legitimate purposes, objects and uses of the State Normal School, authorized by this act, and none other, with full power to sell or dispose of such personal property, or any part thereof, when, in their judgment, it shall be for the interest of the State, to make all such contracts and agreements as shall be necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this act; to sue and be sued, to plead and be pleaded in all courts of this State; to have and to use a common seal, and the same to change, alter or renew at pleasure; to make such by-laws and regulations as they may deem proper for the well ordering and government of said corporation, and the transaction of its business: Provided, the said board of regents shall not have power, to sell, mortgage, or dispose of, in any way, any real estate, so held by them as aforesaid, without the express authority of the General Assembly of this State, nor have power to borrow money, nor shall the indebtedness contracted, nor liabilities incurred by the said board of regents ever, at any time, exceed, in the aggregate, the amount of money, which, under the provisions of law, shall then be at their disposal, in the hands of the State Treasurer: And provided further, That the proceeds derived from the sale of any real or personal estate by said board of regents, shall be paid by them into the State Treasury, and shall become a part of the income of the State Normal School fund.

SECTION 6. That it shall be the duty of the board of regents to prescribe a course of study, and the time and standard of graduation, and to issue such certificates and diplomas as may from time to time be deemed suitable. Such certificates and diplomas shall entitle the holders to teach in any county in the State, for the time, and in the grade specified in the certificate, or diploma, the said certificates or diplomas to be countersigned by the State superintendent of education.

SECTION 7. That, at each annual meeting of the board of regents, they shall determine what number of pupils may be admitted into the school, and this number shall be apportioned among the counties of this State according to the number of representatives from said counties in the General Assembly: Provided, That teachers holding second and third grade certificates may be admitted from the State at large.

SECTION 8. That the county school commissioners and the county board of examiners shall hold competitive examinations before the first Monday in July in each year, of all persons desiring to become pupils of the State Normal School, which examinations shall be conducted in the same manner as examinations for third grade teachers' certificates. A list shall be made of the applicants thus examined, and they shall receive recommendation in the order of standing in the examination: Provided, That the county school commissioners may discriminate in favor of those whose age and experience specially fit them to be normal pupils. After the expiration of the year a new list must be made out, and those not recommended must be re-examined or forfeit their right to recommendation.

SECTION 9. That, to secure admission into the junior class of the normal school, the applicant, if a male, must be fifteen years of age; or if a female, must be fourteen years of age; to enter an advanced class, the applicant must be proportionably older. Applicants must also present letters of recommendation from their county school commissioners, certifying to their good moral character and their fitness to enter the normal school. Before entering, all applicants must sign the following declaration: We hereby declare that our purpose in entering the State normal school is to fit ourselves for the profession of teaching, and that it is our intention to engage in teaching in the public schools of this State.

SECTION 10. That no religious test shall be required of any one connected with the State normal school, nor shall there be any discrimination in the appointment of regents for or admission of pupils to the said school on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

SECTION 11. That the State treasurer shall, by virtue of his office, be the treasurer of the board of regents of the State normal school, but the said board shall have power to appoint suitable persons to receive and pay to the State treasurer any tuition fees or other moneys that may be due from any student or other person.

SECTION 12. That lectures on chemistry, anatomy, physiology, astronomy, the mechanic arts, and the history and progress of science, and of literature that the said board of regents may direct, may be delivered to those attending said school in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as the said board may prescribe. That the Professors of the University of South Carolina shall, upon the recommendation of the said board of regents, deliver from time to time such lectures as shall be open to, and the benefits of the same enjoyed by the officers and pupils of the State normal school.

SECTION 13. That the exclusive purpose of the State normal school shall be the instruction and training of persons, both male and female, in the theory and art of teaching, and in all the branches that pertain to a good common school education; also to give instruction in the mechanic arts, agriculture, chemistry, in the arts of husbandry, the fundamental laws of the United States and this State, and in what regards the rights and duties of citizens.

SECTION 14. That as soon as the State normal school is prepared to receive pupils, the State superintendent of education shall give notice of the fact to the county school commissioners, and the said board of regents shall cause notice of the same to be published in at least one newspaper in each Congressional district, at least for thirty days.

SECTION 15. That the President of the board of regents shall make to the State Superintendent of education an annual report, bearing date the first Tuesday in November, which shall contain a full and detailed account of the doings of said board, and of all their expenditures, and of all moneys received, and the prospect, progress and condition of the school, and such report, together with the reports of the different boards of visitors, shall be transmitted to the General Assembly by the State superintendent of education, as a part of his annual report and in addition to what is now required by law.

SECTION 16. That after the first term, and at least once in each year thereafter, the State normal school shall be visited by three suitable persons, not members of the board of regents, but to be appointed by the State superintendent of education, who shall examine thoroughly into the condition, organization and management of the school, and shall report to the State superintendent of education their views in regard to its success, usefulness and any other matters they may judge expedient. Such visitors shall be appointed annually, and their report shall bear date of the first Wednesday after the first Monday of November, and cover the year preceding such date. The State superintendent of education shall audit the account of the visitors for expenses actually incurred in examining the said normal school, and the sums allowed shall be paid by the State treasurer out of the normal school fund.

SECTION 17. That the board of regents and the board of trustees aforesaid, with the State superintendent of education, shall, as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, take possession of, and fit up such building or buildings, with the grounds surrounding, now enclosed in what is known as the State university buildings and property, as shall be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act; and the board of trustees of the university shall, on application of the board of regents aforesaid, surrender the same.

SECTION 18. That there shall be an annual appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars by the General Assembly, for the maintenance and support of the State normal school, which shall be styled the State normal school fund, to be used solely for the purposes set forth in this act.

SECTION 19. That all acts and amendments thereto shall be construed so as to enable the board of regents to carry out the provisions of this act, and all acts or parts of acts conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved February 25, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A GENERAL LICENSE LAW."

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 the act entitled "An act to provide for a general license law," approved March 13, A. D. 1872, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

SECTION 2. That this act shall take effect from the first day of April, 1873.

AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA."

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 the county commissioners of the several counties herein mentioned be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to levy and collect a special tax as hereinafter specified, on the taxable property of the said counties, said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; said tax to be devoted exclusively to the payment of the past due indebtedness of the said counties, viz: For the County of Marion, three (3) mills; for the County of Orangeburg, three (3) mills; for the County of Richland, one and one-half (1 1/2) mills; for the County of Lancaster, two (2) mills; for the County of Newberry, two (2) mills: Provided, That all claims, for the payment of which the special tax herein authorized is levied, shall be registered in the office of the Clerk of the Court of the County in which such tax is levied, on or before the first day of October, 1873, and all claims of claimants failing to register the same within the said time shall not be paid.

SECTION 2. That the county commissioners of the County of Marion, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of (3) mills upon a dollar of all the taxable property in said county, the said tax to be devoted exclusively to repairing the bridges, in said county, across Kingston Lake and Soanstead Creek, and to the payment of the past indebtedness of the county.

SECTION 3. That the county commissioners of the County of Williamsburg, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of all the taxable property of the said county; said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; the same to be used exclusively for the purpose of paying the indebtedness caused by the building of the jail in the said county.

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Approved February 25, A. D. 1873.

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SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 the county commissioners of the several counties herein mentioned be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to levy and collect a special tax as hereinafter specified, on the taxable property of the said counties, said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; said tax to be devoted exclusively to the payment of the past due indebtedness of the said counties, viz: For the County of Marion, three (3) mills; for the County of Orangeburg, three (3) mills; for the County of Richland, one and one-half (1 1/2) mills; for the County of Lancaster, two (2) mills; for the County of Newberry, two (2) mills: Provided, That all claims, for the payment of which the special tax herein authorized is levied, shall be registered in the office of the Clerk of the Court of the County in which such tax is levied, on or before the first day of October, 1873, and all claims of claimants failing to register the same within the said time shall not be paid.

SECTION 2. That the county commissioners of the County of Marion, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of (3) mills upon a dollar of all the taxable property in said county, the said tax to be devoted exclusively to repairing the bridges, in said county, across Kingston Lake and Soanstead Creek, and to the payment of the past indebtedness of the county.

SECTION 3. That the county commissioners of the County of Williamsburg, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of all the taxable property of the said county; said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; the same to be used exclusively for the purpose of paying the indebtedness caused by the building of the jail in the said county.

Approved February 20, A. D. 1873.

AN ACT TO REPEAL AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF A SPECIAL TAX FOR THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA."

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by 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 the county commissioners of the several counties herein mentioned be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to levy and collect a special tax as hereinafter specified, on the taxable property of the said counties, said tax to be levied at the same time other taxes are levied for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1873; said tax to be devoted exclusively to the payment of the past due indebtedness of the said counties, viz: For the County of Marion, three (3) mills; for the County of Orangeburg, three (3) mills; for the County of Richland, one and one-half (1 1/2) mills; for the County of Lancaster, two (2) mills; for the County of Newberry, two (2) mills: Provided, That all claims, for the payment of which the special tax herein authorized is levied, shall be registered in the office of the Clerk of the Court of the County in which such tax is levied, on or before the first day of October, 1873, and all claims of claimants failing to register the same within the said time shall not be paid.

SECTION 2. That the county commissioners of the County of Marion, be, and they are hereby, authorized to levy and cause to be collected a special tax of (3)