

No. 147.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To the act for the relief and employment of the poor for the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and the townships of the Northern Liberties and Penn, passed March fifth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That in addition to the proceedings heretofore authorized, it shall and may be lawful, on complaint made by or on behalf of the guardians for the relief and employment of the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and the townships of the Northern Liberties and Penn, before any alderman of the city or county of Philadelphia, that any man has without reasonable cause, separated himself from, or deserted his wife, child or children, or has deserted his child or children, leaving the said wife or children, a charge on the said city, district or townships, or likely to become chargeable to the said city, district or townships, for such alderman to issue a warrant to apprehend the person so charged, and take from him security for his appearance, at the then present or next court of quarter sessions of the city and county of Philadelphia, there to abide the determination of said court; and for want of such security, to commit such person to the prison of said city and county. Additional provisions in cases of complaint.

SECTION 2. It shall and may be lawful for any one judge of the court of common pleas, holding a court of quarter sessions, to order such husband or father to give security to said guardians, for the payment of such sums of money as the said judge shall think reasonable, for the maintenance of any wife or children so neglected, and commit such husband or father to prison, there to remain until he comply with said order, or be discharged from confinement, under the provisions of the act relating to insolvent debtors, passed June sixteenth, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six: *Provided,* That such husband or father, shall not be entitled to make application for his discharge, under the said act, until after he shall have been in actual confinement, in pursuance of this said order, for a period not less than three months. Court of quarter sessions authorized to take security, &c.
Proviso.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL L. SHERWOOD,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

FRS. R. SHUNK.