

and every such witness shall be entitled to six cents mileage per mile direct, or three cents circular, necessarily traveled by him; and also sixty-two and one-half cents for each and every day he shall necessarily attend before said committee.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. F. JOHNSTON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 335.

AN ACT

Relative to the borough of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, William Penn, proprietary of the province of Pennsylvania, by his charter, bearing date twelfth day of August, Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, did incorporate divers persons therein named, all of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, by the name of "The bailiff, burgesses and commonalty of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, in the province of Pennsylvania;" and among other powers and authorities, did grant unto the said corporation a right to have, take and purchase messuages, lands, tenements, et cetera, and to give, grant, alien and dispose of the same; and also to hold courts of records:

Preamble.

And whereas, The said corporation, as appears by the ancient records thereof, now in the office of the recorder of deeds for the city and county of Philadelphia, did, on or about the sixth day of the eleventh month, in the year one thousand seven hundred and three-four, purchase, for a market place, and also to build thereon the prison house, stocks, pound, et cetera, one-half acre of ground, in said town of Germantown, containing fourteen perches on the Main street, and five perches and three-quarters on the cross street, hereafter more particularly described:

And whereas, Subsequently a market house was erected on said lot of ground; and the said corporation did continue to exercise the said powers and authorities until the year one thousand seven hundred and seven, and afterwards ceased from exercise thereof, or any of them; and since which time the said one-half acre of ground or market place, and market house, have been used by and for the benefit of the inhabitants of the said town of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia:

And whereas, The said inhabitants of the said town of Germantown, have lately become incorporated under the name, style and title of "The borough of Germantown," and it is desirable that the title to the said one-half acre of ground, or market-house lot, should be absolutely

confirmed, and the same vested in the present corporation or borough, their successors and assigns forever; therefore,

Estate vested in the borough of Germantown.

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 the ancient title in the old corporation aforesaid, to all that certain lot or piece of ground, commonly called the market-house lot, in the borough of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, situate, lying and being on the easterly side of the Main street, and northerly side of Church lane, and containing in front, on the said Main street, fourteen perches, and in depth, easterly, five perches and three-quarters of a perch, bounded southerly by the said Church lane, and westerly by the said Main street, be confirmed and made good; and that the same, and the said one-half acre of ground, or market-house lot above described, and all improvements thereon, be and is hereby absolutely vested in the present corporation of the borough of Germantown, their successors and assigns, forever.

Powers of council.

SECTION 2. That the burgess and town council of the said borough of Germantown, be and they are hereby authorized to tear down the present ancient market house, erected on said market-house lot, and to erect and build on said lot, at their discretion, a town hall, and such other buildings as to them may seem best and advantageous for the interest and welfare of said borough.

Ancient records to be delivered to the borough authorities.

SECTION 3. That the records and papers relative to the ancient borough of Germantown, properly belonging to said borough, now in the office of the recorder of deeds of the city and county of Philadelphia, be placed in the keeping of the burgess and town council of the present borough of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia; and that the recorder aforesaid, is hereby required to deliver over to an authorized person of said borough, the said records and papers, to be placed among the archives of the borough.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. F. JOHNSTON,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 336.

AN ACT

In relation to the courts in the twenty-first judicial district.

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 the several courts in the twenty-first judicial district, shall commence