delphia, that he, his heirs, executors, or ad-count to his miniftrators, fhall pay to his faid child, or in daughter, when cafe of her death, before fhe arrives at the age proceeds of of twenty-one years, to fuch perfon or perfons fuch fale. as would have been entitled to the faid eftate if it had remained unfold, the full amount of the fum for which the faid Chambers Gaw fhall fell the fame, together with any increase of profit which may arife from the use thereof.

## SIMON SNYDER, Speaker

of the House of Representatives.

## **ROBERT** WHITEHILL, Speaker

of the Senate.

APPROVED—the fecond day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, Governor

of the Commonwealth of Pennfylvania.

## CHAPTER XCV.

A SUPPLEMENT to the aft, entitled, "An aft concerning Divorces and Alimony."

Section 1. E it enabled by the Senate and Houfe of Reprefentatives of the Commonwealth of Penn/ylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the fame, That all marriages, within the What marriathe degree of confanguinity, or affinity, ac- ges are void. cording to the table established by law, are void to all intents and purpofes; and it shall and may

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may be lawful for the courts herein-after mentioned, or any of them, to grant divorces from the bonds of matrimony; and the parties shall be fubject to the like penalties as are contained in an act against incest.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted by the authority aforefaid, That any perfon who hath been or shall be injured in any of the ways mentioned in the fecond fection of the act to of the fupreme which this is a fupplement, may apply in the circuit court or manner prefcribed by the third fection of the court of com- faid act, to the judges of the fupreme court, in term time, or at any circuit court, or to one or more of them in vacation, or to the judges of the courts of common pleas of the Proceedings in proper county; and like proceedings shall be had, in order to compel the appearance of the party complained against, as are directed to be had in and by the faid third fection of the act aforefaid, either at the next fupreme court, circuit court, or court of common pleas, as the cafe may be; and the faid courts, refpect-Powers of the ively, shall have like powers in all things touching divorces and alimony, as the judges of the fupreme court now have by virtue of the act to which this is a fupplement: Provided always, That the proclamation directed by the act aforefaid, to be made by the fheriff of the city and county of Philadelphia, at the market place, shall be made by the faid sheriff, or by the fheriff of the proper county, as the cafe may require, on three feveral days, in term time, at the court-house of the city or county where any fuch application fhall have been made. -and that the notices to the party against Of notices to the party com- whom a fubpœna shall have isfued, shall be giplained againft. ven in fome public newspaper printed in the city of Philadelphia, or in the proper county,

Applications for divorces may be made to the judges court, of the mon pleas of the proper county.

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courts touching divorces.

Of proclamation to be made by the theriff.

or

or in fome adjoining county, in cafe no paper is printed in the county where fuch application fhall be made, for four fucceffive weeks: And provided alfo, That when a trial by jury is to be had as to any controverted matters of fact, the fame shall be in any of the above mentioned courts, when fitting, in the city or county where the fact is charged to have arifen.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted by the au-thority aforefaid, That either of the parties in Appeal allow-ed to the fuany fuit or action to be brought in purfuance preme court, of this act, or the act to which this is a fup- or court of erplement, after any final fentence or decree gi-peals. ven, may appeal therefrom to the fupreme court, or to the high court of errors and appeals, as the cafe may require, upon entering into a recognizance, in manner and form, as is prefcribed by the twelfth fection of the act to which this is a supplement, to the court or fome judge thereof, from which fuch appeal shall be made.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted by the authority aforefaid, That fo much of the act, entitled "An act against incest," as is hereby altered or fupplied, be and the fame is hereby repealed.

> SIMON SNYDER, Speaker of the House of Representatives. ROBERT WHITEHILL, Speaker of the Senate.

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THOMAS M'KEAN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennfylvania.

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