

CHAPTER CVIII.

An ACT authorising John Biddis to vend his Patent Rights for Manufacturing Potatoe-Starch, Sago and Hair Powder, and for opening or reducing offcast Woolen clothen to Wool.

WHEREAS John Biddis has made a discovery or an important improvement in the art of manufacturing potatoe-starch, sago, and hair-powder, and has invented a machine for opening or reducing again to wool offcast woolen clothing; the former of which being so simple in the process, that the sale of a single right would make such disclosure as to defeat all the benefits which he has a right to expect: And whereas it is just and reasonable that encouragement should be given for improvements in the useful arts, by securing to the discoverer a reward for his ingenuity and labour: And whereas it is apprehended in the present case that there is danger of incurring the penalty of a law, restraining sales by any mode appearing in the form of a lottery: Therefore,

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 it shall be lawful for John Biddis to vend his aforesaid patent rights, for eighteen months from the date hereof, according to a plan to be by him lodged with, and to be approved of by the Governor of this Commonwealth; he the said John Biddis giving the necessary sureties for the faithful performance in the premises, and for a full and complete disclosure and exemplification of his patent rights, at the end of the said term of eighteen months,
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any law to the contrary of this act notwithstanding.

CHARLES PORTER, *Speaker*

of the House of Representatives.

JAMES BRADY, *Speaker*

of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twentieth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and six

THOMAS M'KEAN.

CHAPTER CIX.

An ACT altering the Place of meeting of the Return-judges, of the district composed of Fayette and Greene counties.

Section. 1. **B**E 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 whenever an election for a member of Congress or a senator in the State Legislature, shall take place in the district composed of the counties of Fayette and Greene, the the Return-judges of said district shall meet at the house now occupied by Henry Jennings, in German township, Fayette county, and there perform the duties enjoined on them by law, and so much of any law as directs the Judges aforesaid to meet at the house of Thomas Clare,

Where the return-judges, for the district composed of the counties of Fayette and Greene, are to meet, &c.

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