matter de novo and shall enter such order affirming, modifying or reversing the action of the board as to it shall appear proper. The action of the court on any such appeal shall be final.

Section 12. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent here- Repeal. with be and the same are hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 13th day of May, A. D. 1927.

## JOHN S. FISHER

## No. 478

## AN ACT

Validating divorces granted on the ground of the hopeless insanity of the respondent under the provisions of an act, approved the eighteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An act to amend section eight of the act, approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled 'An act to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes,' so as to extend its provision: to the husband or wife of a lunatic or non compos mentis, and to further regulate the procedure in actions for divorce."

Whereas, Under the act of Assembly approved the eighteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An act to amend section eight of the act approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled 'An act to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes,' so as to extend its provisions to the husband or wife of a lunatic or non compos mentis, and to further regulate the procedure in such actions for divorce," certain divorces were granted by courts of common pleas on the ground of the hopeless insanity of the respondent, and, subsequent thereto, it was held by the Superior Court that the said act of Assembly did not constitute insanity a new ground of divorce, and it is desired to settle the legality of such divorces as may have theretofore been granted; therefore,

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in all cases where divorces have been heretofore granted by the courts of common pleas under the provisions of an act, approved the eighteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An act to amend section eight of the act, approved the thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, entitled 'An act to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes,' so as to extend its provisions to the husband or wife of a lunatic or non compos mentis, and to further regulate the procedure in actions for divorce," on the ground of hopeless insanity, in which the libelant therein complied with all the provisions of said act, that the said divorce shall be legal and valid and binding upon the parties thereto.

APPROVED-The 13th day of May, A. D. 1927.

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Divorce.

Where granted under act of April 18, 1905 (P. L. 211)

Validation.