

It has been also held, that a conveyance of the husband's land, by husband and wife, without an acknowledgment by the wife, agreeably to the act in the text, does not impair the wife's right of dower. *Kirk v. Dean*. 2 Binney, 341. 1770.

CHAPTER DCVI.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled An Act to enable the owners, and possessors of a certain tract of marsh and meadow land, therein described, situate in the county of Chester, to keep the banks, dams, sluices and flood-gates in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof. [Chap. 677. ante. p. 230. See chap. 1414.]

Passed 24th February, 1770.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 358.

CHAPTER DCX.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled An Act for bailing prisoners, and about imprisonment. (f)

WHEREAS it is declared and enacted by the act, to which this act is a supplement, that the public allowance to prisoners shall be two pence *per day*, and no more, and that the respective prisons shall be work-houses, until others are provided for felons, thieves, vagrants, and loose and idle persons: And whereas some doubts have arisen, whether it was the intent and meaning of the Legislature, that the said allowance should be paid to persons committed for criminal offences, after conviction: For the removal of which doubts, *Be it enacted*, That all persons committed for any criminal offence whatsoever shall, during their imprisonment, have and receive three pence *per diem* each; and that the Commissioners of and for each respective county, within this province shall pay the same to the Sheriffs of their respective counties, for the diet and support of such criminals as shall be within their gaols respectively, out of the county stock, which shall from time to time be raised and levied for the payment of the county debts, any usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed 24th February, 1770.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 340.

(f) For the original act, and a general reference to laws respecting prisoners, see ante. chap. 151, pa. 56. (Note to former edition.)

CHAPTER DCXVI.

An ACT for the regulation of apprentices within this province.

WHEREAS great mischiefs and losses have been sustained by the masters and mistresses of apprentices, within this province,