regulating the nightly watch, enlightening the streets, lanes and al- 1772. leys of the said city, raising of money on the inhabitants, and in executing other the purposes in the said law mentioned, shall be, of the forand are hereby declared to be, ratified and confirmed, and of the hereby consame force, validity and effect, as if the said law had been in full [This secforce and virtue.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That this act shall be deemed This act to and taken to be a public act, and shall be judicially taken notice of public act. as such by all Judges and Justices, and other persons whatsoever,

without specially pleading the same.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue Limitation. in force for the space of five years, and from thence to the end of the next sitting of Assembly, and no longer.

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(t) This act, with some amendments, is made perpetual, by an act passed April 6th, 1776, (chap. 717.)

By another supplement, passed May 30th, 1780, (chap. 899,) further powers are given to the Wardens, and certain

duties enjoined on the Clerk of the Market, &c.

See the act for incorporating the city, (post. chap. 1383,) and the General Index, title Philadelphia.

CHAPTER DCXXXVIII.

An ACT to repeal a part of the act, entitled An Act for the preservation of fish in the rivers Delaware, Susquehanna, and the Lehigh, commonly called The Western Branch of Delaware.

WHEREAS in and by the act of General Assembly, passed in the first year of his present Majesty's reign, entitled An Act for the preservation of fish in the rivers Delaware, Susquehanna, and Lehigh, commonly called The Western Branch of Delaware,* it is Anto. chap declared and enacted, that so much of the same act as relates to the 463, pa. 231. wears, racks, baskets, fishing-dams, pounds and other devices, erected or to be erected in the river Delaware, should be held and taken to be of no force, until a bill remedying the same mischiefs and inconveniences, by that act intended to be remedied, should be passed into a law by the Legislature of the province of New-Jersey, and be in full force: And whereas, since the passing of the said recited act, the Legislature of the said province of New-Jersey did pass into a law a certain bill, remedying the same mischiefs and inconveniences, which has been for some time expired by its own limitation, whereby it is rendered expedient that so much of the first mentioned act, as relates to the said rivers Delaware and Lehigh, be also rendered invalid: Be it therefore enacted, That all and every the provisions, Regulations. regulations, penalties, acts, matters and things, in the same act con- mer law retained, which relate to the wears, racks, baskets, fishing-dams, pealed, pounds and other devices, erected or to be erected in the said rivers Delaware and Lehigh, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, repealed, null and void, to all intents and purposes.

Passed 9th March, 1771.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 427.