ACTS

OF THE

General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

Passed at a Session, which commenced October 27th, 1777, and ended January 2d, 1778; and at a Session which commenced February 18th, 1778, and ended April 2d, following, except chap. 748, which was passed at a preceding Session.

1777.

THOMAS WHARTON, PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL. JOHN BAYARD, SPEAKER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

CHAPTER DCCXLVIII.

[Printed at large, vol. 1. folio. pa. 740. vol. 2, 8vo. pa. 156.] An ACT to re-establish the ancient Corporation of the Burgesses and inhabitants of the borough of Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster.

SECTION II. The President or Vice-President to appoint Burgesses, Assistants, High Constable, Town Clerk, and Clerk of the Market—to continue until next election, &c. of such officers; who are to take the oath of allegiance. [Obsolete.] 3. The rights under the original charter restored, and all former estates and contracts to remain good, and former actions, wherein the corporation were plaintiffs or defendants, commenced and undetermined, revived and continued.

4. The old seal to be destroyed, and a new seal to be made.

Local Act.—Passed June 19th, 1777.—Recorded in Law Book vol. I. pa. 131. (d)

(d) See ante. chap. 306, 687, and in the borough of Lancaster, (postan act for establishing a nightly watch chap. 1617.)

CHAPTER DCCLX.

[Printed at large vol. 1. folio, pa. 704. vol. 2. 8vo. pa. 156.]

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled An Act for emitting the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand pounds in bills of credit, on loan, and providing a fund for the payment of public debts.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Trustees, in and by this act appointed, shall have power and authority to prosecute and pro-

ceed for default of payment against all and every the persons to whom the said monies, or any part thereof, have been lent in like manner, and to the same effect, as in and by the said before recited act is enjoined and directed to the Trustees in and by the said act appointed; and all other the powers and authorities, which to the former Trustees, or any of them, in and by the said recited act of Assembly was committed or entrusted.

VII. And be it further enacted, That in case of the death, refu-Assembly sal or removal of either, or any or all the said Trustees, it shall and may re-ap point new may be lawful for the General Assembly for the time being, by their resolve. resolve, to be entered on their minutes, to nominate and appoint

others in their stead and room.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That every thing in the said Repeal. before recited act contained, which is not consistent with this present act, from henceforth shall be, and hereby is, repealed and made

void.

Passed 23d December 1777.—Recorded in Law Book vol. I. page 150. (e)

(e) The duties prescribed in the fourth section are now transferred to the State Treasurer, after having been vested in the Managers of the Pennsylvania Hospital, by an act passed April 4th 1805, (post. chap. 2600)—and see the original act, ante pa. (chap. 672, and the notes thereto subjoined.)

The residue of the act, which ap-

pointed new Trustees in the room of the original Trustees, who had neglected or refused further to act, and prescribed an oath or affimation to be taken by them, and directed them to retain the monies paid in, until the further orders of the General Assembly, &c. is obsolete.

CHAPTER DCCLXV.

An ACT for establishing a new seal for the Supreme Court, and for altering the place of holding the said Court, and the courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, in the counties of Chester and Bucks, for a limited time.

WHEREAS, since the late glorious revolution, it is become expedient and proper to have a new seal for the Supreme Court, and the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol delivery of this state: Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted, That a new seal New seal shall be procured and made, under the direction of the Prothonotary or Clerk of the said Supreme Court, having the arms of the state engraven thereon, with such other devices as the Justices of the said Court shall direct, with an inscription round the edge, and near the extremity thereof in these words, to wit: Seal of Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and with the figures 1776 underneath the arms; and that the same, from and after the receipt thereof by the Prothonotary of said Court, shall be the seal of the said Courts, and used as such upon all occasions whatsoever; the expense of which seal shall be paid for by a draught of the Prothonotary upon the Treasurer of this state, who is hereby directed to pay the same out of the public monies in his hands: And the seal of any of the Justices of the said Courts is hereby established as the seal of the said

1778.