

CHAPTER MCCCXXVI.

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An ACT to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract of marsh and meadow land, therein described, situate in the counties of Philadelphia and Chester, to keep the banks, dams, sluices and flood-gates in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof.

Passed 10th of March, 1788.—Private Act.—Recorded in Law Book No. III. page 341.

CHAPTER MCCCXXVII.

An ACT to incorporate and endow an academy or public school in the borough of Reading, in the county of Berks.

Passed 10th March, 1788.—Private Act.—Recorded in Law Book No. III. page 348.

[2000 dollars granted to this seminary by act of 11th of March, 1807, chap. 2767.]

CHAPTER MCCCXXX.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled "An act for regulating the measurement of corn and salt, imported into the port of Philadelphia."

[Ante, p. 350, chap. 1182.]

SECT. I. WHEREAS large quantities of coal are imported or brought into the port and city of Philadelphia for sale, in the measurement whereof frequent disputes arise :

SECT. II. Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the measurer of corn and salt, imported or brought into the port and city of Philadelphia for sale, shall be the measurer of all coal imported or brought into the said port and city of Philadelphia for sale; and that the said measurer shall, at his own cost, provide a sufficient number of two bushel tub measures, and have the same compared with, and regulated by, the public standard measure kept in the city of Philadelphia, and shall have the same powers, and be subject to the same rules, regulations and penalties, as are by the said act directed for the measurement of corn and salt, imported into the city and port of Philadelphia.

The measurer of corn and salt to be measurer of coals.

SECT. III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the allowance for measurement of coal imported into the city and port of Philadelphia shall be at the rate of one shilling for every hundred bushels, to be paid by the buyers, and one shilling for every hundred bushels, to be paid by the sellers, who shall cause the same to be filled into the measures, and no more.

Compensation for his services.

And whereas considerable quantities of lime are from time to time imported and brought into the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and township of the Northern-Liberties, and disputes concerning the admeasurement thereof frequently occur :

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The same person to be measurer of lime, in cases of dispute.

How to be paid for such service.

SECT. IV. *Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That in case any dispute shall hereafter arise respecting the admeasurement of lime imported or brought for sale into the said city of Philadelphia, or parts adjacent thereto, within one mile from the court-house in the said city, the same shall be determined by the measurer herein before appointed for corn, salt and coals, who is hereby authorized and empowered to measure, according to the usual and proper mode of measuring that article, all lime, concerning the admeasurement whereof disputes may happen, at the instance of either of the parties, between whom such dispute or difference may arise; and the said measurer shall be paid by the party who shall be found by the said measurer in the wrong in such dispute or difference, the sum of one penny for every bushel so measured, and the determination of the said measurer in the premises shall be final between the parties.

Passed 28th March, 1788.—Recorded in Law Book No. III. page 361.

CHAPTER MCCCXXXI.

An ACT for opening and establishing certain roads in the counties of Northampton and Luzerne.

SECT. I. WHEREAS the opening of roads through the unsettled parts of this state will greatly promote its settlement and population, and encrease its domestic and foreign commerce, its manufactures and agriculture; and divers persons, citizens of this state, have already subscribed considerable sums of money, and divers other persons are disposed to subscribe further sums for the purpose of opening roads from Pocona Point, in the county of Northampton, to a place known by the name of Mount Arrarat, and thence to the New-York line, at the intended carrying-place between the rivers Susquehanna and Delaware, as also from the said Mount Arrarat to the most proper place at or near the mouth of the river Tioga: And whereas the said roads will conduce to the immediate settlement of an extensive tract of country, will promote both the export and Indian trade of this state, and, by communication with other roads already begun, will render Pennsylvania the most eligible route for the emigrants from the northern and eastern parts of the United States: And whereas it is just and proper, that such important efforts of private citizens of this commonwealth, and which tend to encrease the general wealth and power of the state, should be patronized and assisted by the Legislature thereof:

SECT. II. *Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same,* That the roads aforesaid shall be laid out and opened, as nearly as conveniently may be, in the following directions, that is to say; one of the said roads shall begin at or near to Pocona Point, in the county of Northampton, and shall run from thence, as shall appear most proper in the opinion of the commissioners to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned, to or near to a place in the said county,

Courses of certain roads to be laid out in the counties of Northampton and Luzerne.