

1795. *met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Common Councilmen of the city of Philadelphia, in Common Council assembled, shall have full power and authority to make and establish any law, ordinance or regulation, to oblige the owners and occupiers of houses in the said city to provide, and keep in repair, any number of leathern buckets, not exceeding six, to be used only in extinguishing fires.*

Passed 18th April, 1795.—Recorded in Law Book No. VI. page 33.

CHAPTER MDCCCLXIX.

(See vol. 2, page 462.) *An ACT to authorize the corporation of the city of Philadelphia to prevent the erecting of wooden buildings, in certain parts of the city of Philadelphia.*

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Legislature, that the danger from fire in the city of Philadelphia is considerably increased by the number of wooden buildings erected in the populous parts of the said city, and that the expense is greater of erecting wooden than brick or stone buildings: And whereas it is the duty of the Legislature to strengthen the security of property, whenever the same can be done without violating the rights of private persons:

SECT. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Councilmen of the city of Philadelphia, in Common Council assembled, be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to pass ordinances, to prevent any person or persons from erecting, or causing to be erected, any wooden mansion-house, shop, ware-house, store, carriage-house, or stable, within such part of the city which lies to the eastward of Tenth-street from the river Delaware, as they may judge proper. (x)*

Passed 18th April, 1795.—Recorded in Law Book No. VI. page 33.

(x) This act declared to be constitutional, and a city ordinance founded thereon, prescribing a penalty on conviction of the offence, on indictment in the Mayor's Court, is good. Ruled in the Supreme Court, December, 1799, *Respublica v. Duquet*, (*MISS. Reports*) And there have been several late convictions for the offence pointed at by this act.

CHAPTER MDCCCL.

An ACT to continue in force the act, entitled "An act to reform the penal laws of this state, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

(See vol. 1, page 131, (chap. 255,) and the notes thereto; and vol. 2, page 531, (chap. 1505,) and the notes thereto.)

WHEREAS an act, entitled "An Act to reform the penal laws of this state," passed the fifth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety, will shortly expire by its own limitation: And whereas certain parts of the said act