

1799. ed the eleventh day of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, which are not otherwise by law directed and provided for.

Provision for supplying a vacancy in the office of Mayor or member of the select Council, by death, resignation, or otherwise.

SECT. VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That whenever the office of Mayor shall become vacant, by death, resignation, or otherwise, it shall be lawful for the Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia, as soon as conveniently may be after such vacancy shall so happen, to assemble together, and elect a Mayor, in the manner directed by law in ordinary cases, and the Mayor so chosen shall continue in office until the third Tuesday in October next succeeding such election, and no longer; and that in case of any vacancy happening by the death, resignation, or otherwise, of any member of the Select Council, such vacancy shall be supplied at the next general election, and the person chosen shall serve the residue period of time, and in the class of such person whose vacancy he may be chosen to fill.

The present corporate officers to continue till the first of January next.

SECT. VII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all the officers of the Corporation, already appointed by the Select and Common Councils, now in office, shall continue to exercise the powers and duties of their several offices, respectively, until the first day of January next, any irregularity in the appointment of such officers to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

The Mayor and Recorder empowered to take acknowledgments of deeds for real estate in any part of the commonwealth.

SECT. VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That, from and after the passing of this act, the Mayor and Recorder of the city of Philadelphia, respectively, shall be, and they are severally hereby, empowered and authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds for lands or other real estate in any part of this commonwealth; and for taking every such acknowledgment, either of the said officers so taking the same shall be entitled to receive thirty-seven cents and an half, and no more.

Passed 11th April, 1799.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 15.

CHAPTER MMLXXXI.

(Chap. 1997, ante. pa. 329.)

An ACT to extend for a limited time, an act, entitled "A further Supplement to the act, entitled "An act for making an artificial road from the city of Philadelphia to the borough of Lancaster, and for other purposes."

SECT. 1. [THE limitation of the former act extended. (Now made perpetual.) 2. The tolls of the turnpike may be leased for any term not exceeding seven years, &c.]

Passed 11th April, 1799.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 14.

CHAPTER MMLXXXIV.

An ACT to raise and collect county rates and levies.

WHEREAS the several laws of this commonwealth, now in force, for raising county rates and levies, from frequent supple-