

Britain called England shall be duly observed and put in execution in this province, and be of like force and effect during the continuance of this act as if the same act were here repeated and enacted; and the constables and chief officers and magistrates of the city of Philadelphia and the other towns, villages and places, and the justices of the peace within this province, shall have like power and authority and perform like duties as in and by the hereinbefore-mentioned act of Parliament is required and enjoined. But forasmuch as many of the inhabitants of this province are such who for conscience's sake cannot take an oath:

[Section II.] Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all matters, causes and offenses whatsoever to be enquired of, heard, tried and determined by virtue of this act shall and may be inquired of, heard, tried and determined by judges, justices, inquests and witnesses qualifying themselves according to their conscientious persuasion respectively, either by an oath or affirmation, according to the laws of this province.

[Section III.] And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this act shall continue in force for the term of twelve months from and after the publication thereof and from thence to the end of the next sessions of assembly and no longer.

Passed August 15, 1755. Repealed by the King in Council, July 7, 1756. See Appendix XXI, Section I.

CHAPTER CCCCIV.

AN ACT TO CONTINUE AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR DIRECTING THE CHOICE OF INSPECTORS IN THE COUNTIES OF CHESTER, LANCASTER, YORK, CUMBERLAND, BERKS AND NORTHAMPTON."¹

Whereas the act, entitled "An act for directing the choice of inspectors in the counties of Chester, Lancaster, York, Cumberland, Berks and Northampton," passed in the twenty-fifth year of the present reign, hath been found by experience to be of good use, but the said act, being made for three years only, is now expired by its own limitation:

¹ Passed March 11, 1752-53, Chapter 396.

[Section I.] Be it therefore enacted by the Honorable Robert Hunter Morris, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor under the Honorable Thomas Penn and Richard Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania, &c., by and with the advice and consent of the representatives of the freemen of the said Province in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the said act be and the same, with every article, clause and thing therein contained, is hereby declared to be revived and renewed, to continue in full force for the further term of three years, and from thence to the end of the next sessions of assembly and no longer.

Passed September 27, 1755. Confirmed by the King in Council, July 7, 1756. See Appendix XXI, Section I, and note to the Act of Assembly passed March 11, 1752-53, Chapter 396.