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aforesaid, That all and every the owner and owners of land within the before described piece of marsh, cripple or meadow ground or those who hereafter shall be owners thereof respectively shall be subject to all and every the like rules, orders, regulations, rates, charges and assessments, penalties and forfeitures, and also entitled to all the rights, liberties, privileges and benefits to which the owners of the lands within the Southern District first above mentioned are subject and entitled in and by virtue of the said hereinbefore recited act of assembly, and that the said rates, charges and assessments, penalties and forfeitures shall be levied and recovered in the same manner as other the rates, charges and assessments, penalties and forfeitures imposed in virtue of the said act are directed to be levied and recovered.

[Section III.] And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so much of the before recited act as prescribes or limits the northeasterly boundary of the said Southern District of Darby Marsh or Meadow Ground to begin at the fast land belonging to the heirs of Andrew Boon, Junior, deceased, on the west side of the run of water called Hem-sprota, thence along the side thereof to the Great Thoroughfare, then across the said thoroughfare to Hay Island, then up the said thoroughfare, by the course thereof so far as the new dam erected thereon, shall be and is hereby repealed and made null and void.

Passed March 4, 1763. Referred for consideration by the King in Council, December 9, 1763, and allowed to become a law by lapse of time in accordance with the proprietary charter. See Appendix XXIV, Section II, and the note to the Act of Assembly passed February 17, 1762, Chapter 475.

CHAPTER CCCCXCIII.

AN ACT THE BETTER TO ENABLE THE PERSONS THEREIN NAMED TO HOLD LANDS AND TO INVEST THEM WITH THE PRIVILEGES OF NAT-URAL-BORN SUBJECTS OF THIS PROVINCE.

Whereas the Reverend Charles Magnus Wrangel, Doctor of Divinity, who was the subject of His Majesty the King of

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Sweden; Andreas Henry Groth and Frederick Kuhl, gentlemen, who were the subjects of His Majesty the King of Denmark; Lewis Weiss, gentleman, who was the subject of the King of Prussia; Nicholas Weaver, tailor, late of the Duchy of Deuxponts, in the German Empire; and Johannes Landaver [gentleman] of the Duchy of Wirtemberg, in Germany, Princes in amity with the Crown of Great Britain, have transported themselves into the Province of Pennsylvania and since their arrival and residence therein have always demeaned themselves peaceably and paid a due regard and obedience to the laws and government thereof.

And whereas the said Reverend Charles Magnus Wrangel, Andreas Henry Groth, Frederick Kuhl, Lewis Weiss, Nicholas Weaver and Johannes Landaver, being all of them Protestants and each and every of them having in demonstration of their zeal and affection for his present Majesty's person and government taken and subscribed the oaths and made, repeated and subscribed the declaration directed to be taken and subscribed by an act made in the first year of the reign of His Majesty, George the First, entitled "An act for the further security of His Majesty's person and government and the succession of the Crown in the heirs of the late Princess Sophia, being Protestants, and for extinguishing the hopes of the pretended Prince of Wales, his open and secret abettors," have humbly signified to the representatives of the freemen of this province their earnest desire of being made partakers of the benefits and privileges which the natural-born subjects of Great Britain do enjoy within the same; and it being but just and reasonable that those who have thus demeaned themselves within this province and given such testimony and proof of their obedience to the Crown of Great Britain should be secured in the enjoyment of their properties and enabled to enjoy lands and other real estate and encouraged in their laudable zeal and affection for the English government, we, the representatives of the freemen of the province of Pennsylvania in general assembly met do pray that it may be enacted:

[Section I.] And be it enacted by the Honorable James Hamilton, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor under the Honorable Thomas Penn and Richard Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania and counties of Newcastle, Kent and Sussex upon Delaware, 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 Charles Magnus Wrangel, Andreas Henry Groth, Frederic Kuhl, Lewis Weiss, Nicholas Weaver and Johannes Landaver, and each and every of them, shall and they and every of them are hereby declared to be deemed, taken and held to all intents and purposes free and fully able to trade, traffic, load, freight and transport all and all manner of goods, wares [and] merchandises not by law prohibited to be imported or exported as if they and each of them had been natural liege people and subjects of the King of Great Britain born in this province, and also that they and each and every of them are hereby adjudged able and capable to all intents and purposes to take, receive, have, hold and enjoy all and all manner of lands, tenements, hereditaments and real estate by purchase or gift of any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate whatsoever and to sue, prosecute, pursue, maintain, avow and justify all and all manner of actions, suits and causes whatsoever and to have, hold and enjoy all and every the rights, liberties, privileges, advantages, benefits and immunities belonging to His Majesty's liege people and natural subjects born within this province as lawfully, fully and freely as if they and every of them had been or were born natural subjects within this province, any law, custom or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

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