

CHAPTER DCXXXVIII.

AN ACT TO REPEAL A PART OF THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF FISH IN THE RIVERS DELAWARE, SUSQUEHANNA AND THE LEHIGH, COMMONLY CALLED THE WESTERN BRANCH OF DELAWARE."¹

Whereas in and by the act of general assembly passed in the first year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled "An act for the preservation of fish in the rivers Delaware, Susquehanna and Lehigh, commonly called the Western Branch of Delaware,"¹ it is declared and enacted that so much of the same act as relates to the weirs, racks, baskets, fishing dams, pounds and other devices erected or to be erected in the river Delaware should be held and taken to be of no force until a bill remedying the same mischiefs and inconveniences by that act intended to be remedied should be passed into a law by the legislature of the province of New Jersey and be in full force:

And whereas since the passing of the said recited act the legislature of the said province of New Jersey did pass into a law a certain bill remedying the same mischiefs and inconveniences which has been for some time expired by its own limitation, whereby it is rendered expedient that so much of the first mentioned act as relates to the said rivers Delaware and Lehigh be also rendered invalid:

[Section I.] Be it therefore enacted by the Honorable John Penn, 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 all and every the provisions, regulations, penalties, acts, matters and things in the same act contained which

¹ Passed March 14, 1761, Chapter 463.

relate to the weirs, racks, baskets, fishing dams, pounds and other devices erected or to be erected in the said rivers Delaware and Lehigh shall be and are hereby declared to be repealed, null and void to all intents and purposes.

Passed March 9, 1771. Referred for consideration by the King in Council, October 9, 1771, and allowed to become a law by lapse of time in accordance with the proprietary charter. See Appendix XXIX, and the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 14, 1761, Chapter 463.