

and receive the same reward for their trouble, to be paid in the same manner as in and by the said act are directed with regard to the signers therein nominated and appointed.

Passed December 14, 1774. Referred for consideration by the King in Council, July 21, 1775, and allowed to become a law by lapse of time in accordance with the proprietary charter. See Appendix XXXI, and the note to the act of Assembly passed March 5, 1725-26, Chapter 289.

CHAPTER DCCI.

A SUPPLEMENT¹ TO THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR ERECTING THE NORTHWEST PART OF BUCKS INTO A SEPARATE COUNTY."²

Whereas by the act of general assembly for erecting and laying off the county of Northampton, passed in the twenty-fifth year of the reign of His late Majesty George the Second, it is provided and enacted, That the freemen and inhabitants of the said county qualified by the laws of this Province to vote at the general election should annually choose (until it should otherwise be ordered by law) one representative or delegate to represent them in assembly:

And whereas since the passing the said law the number of inhabitants in the said county is considerably increased:

[Section I.] Be it therefore enacted by the Honorable John Penn, Esquire, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of Pennsylvania, by and with the consent and advice of the representatives of the freemen of the said Province in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the freeholders and inhabitants of the said county of Northampton qualified by the laws of this province to vote at the general election shall, at the same time the inhabitants of the other counties meet for the like purpose, assemble at their county town of Easton and elect for the said county two representatives or dele-

¹ The original roll of this act is missing; and therefore it has been compared with the copy in the Act Books.

² Passed March 11, 1752, Chapter 393.

gates to serve them in assembly in the same manner as by the charter and laws of this province is directed in respect to the other counties, which said representatives so chosen shall be members of the general assembly of this province of Pennsylvania and sit and act as such as fully and freely as any of the representatives for the other counties within this province do, may, can or ought to do.

[Section II.] And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so much of the said act of general assembly passed in the twenty-fifth year of the reign of His late Majesty George the Second, to which this act is a supplement, as relates to the election of one member of assembly for the said county, shall be and is hereby declared to be repealed.

Passed December 24, 1774. Referred for consideration by the King in Council, July 21, 1775, and allowed to become a law by lapse of time in accordance with the proprietary charter. See Appendix XXXII, and the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 11, 1752, Chapter 393.

CHAPTER DCCII.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF HENRY WILLIAM STIEGELL, A LANGUISHING PRISONER IN THE GAOL OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, WITH RESPECT TO THE IMPRISONMENT OF HIS PERSON.

Whereas it hath been represented to the assembly of this province by the petition of Henry William Stiegel that he is a languishing prisoner in the gaol of the county of Philadelphia and that although he is willing to assign over all his effects for the use of his creditors for the payment of his debts and to discharge such as shall thereafter remain unpaid as soon as by his industry he can find means of satisfying such creditors; yet by his imprisonment he is disabled from putting in execution his just intentions and is reduced to great distress:

[Section I.] Be it therefore enacted by the Honorable John Penn, Esquire, Governor and Commander in Chief of the Prov-