either of the aforementioned acts of general assembly the mayor or recorder and one or more of the aldermen of the city of Philadlphia are or is made necessary for the execution of or in anywise putting in force such act respectively, or to enable any officer or officers mentioned therein to do and perform the duties and services of him or them required, the justices of the peace of the said city of Philadelphia or any three of them shall be and are hereby declared to be able and capable in law to do and perform all and singular the duties and services that are in and by the said several and respective acts of assembly required of and from the mayor or recorder or aldermen of the said city, and in all cases where the said justices or any three of them shall act, do and perform any duty, service or business that is in any of the said acts required to be done and performed by the mayor, recorder and alderman the same shall be and is hereby declared of the same force and effect and as sufficient and binding in all cases on all persons that shall be within the meaning and intention of this act as the same could or ought to have been heretofore when such service and duty were done and performed by the mayor, recorder and aldermen agreeable to the intent and meaning of the several and respective acts aforesaid.

Passed March 14, 1777. See the Acts of Assembly passed March 21, 1777, Chapter 754; March 31, 1784, Chapter 1093; March 11, 1789, Chapter 1894; April 13, 1791, Chapter 1575.

## CHAPTER DCCXLVII.

AN ACT TO REVIVE AND PUT IN FORCE AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE FISHERY IN THE RIVER SCHUYLKILL."

(Section 1, P. L.) Whereas by an act of general assembly of the province of Pennsylvania passed the ninth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, entitled "An act to regulate the fishery in the river Schuylkill," the shad fisheries were put under certain regulations that have been found to be very advantageous to the inhabitants re-

<sup>1</sup> Passed March 9, 1771, Chapter 621.

siding near the said river. And as the said act is expired by its own limitation and as the season for such fishery is approaching such act ought to be in force:

Therefore:

[Section I] (Section II, P. L.) Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the act of general assembly of the province of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to regulate the fishery in the river Schuylkill," and every part, parcel, article, matter and clause therein contained are hereby declared to be in force and binding on all the inhabitants of this state, and all justices, constables and other officers who may be in any wise concerned in the execution of the said act, are hereby strictly enjoined and required to yield obedience thereto according to the duties of their several offices and to do and perform all and singular the services and duties by the said act of them required to be done and performed, as they will answer the contrary at their peril.

[Section II] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the aforesaid act of general assembly and the regulations and restrictions therein mentioned, contained and comprised shall be deemed, taken and construed to extend down the river Delaware as far as the island called the Province Island extends, anything in the said recited act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed March 14, 1777. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed March 9, 1771, Chapter 621.

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