CHAPTER DCCCVII.

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO ALLOW FURTHER TIME TO JOHN ABRAHAM DE NORMANDIE, OF THE COUNTY OF BUCKS, PRACTITIONER IN PHYSIC, FOR THE SALE OF HIS ESTATE, AND TO RETIRE OUT OF THE STATE THAN IS ALLOWED IN AN ACT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE FURTHER SECURITY OF THE GOVERNMENT." 1

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas John Abraham De Normandie, of the county of Bucks, practitioner in physic, in a petition to the house of general assembly, has represented that he is a free-holder, citizen and burgher of the city of Geneva, the county of his ancestors; that he has for a considerable time past had an intention of removing to that city, for which purpose three years ago he began to dispose of the real estate held by him in Pennsylvania; and that he had not seen or heard of the said act, entitled, "An act for the further security of [the] government;" until the time therein limited for an application to the supreme executive council for leave to sell and retire out of the state was elapsed, and the legislature of this state being disposed to do justice to all men, and to remove every just cause of complaint so far as in them lieth:

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 it shall and may be lawful to and for the supreme executive council of this commonwealth (if they shall think it proper and consistent with the safety of the state) to grant and they are hereby authorized and empowered to grant a permission under the great seal of the state, and signed by the president or the vice-president in council to the said John Abraham De Normandie, to sell, convey and confirm within ninety days after the day of enacting this law, his estate real to

¹ Passed April 1, 1778, Chapter 796.

any person or persons, their heirs and assigns forever according to the directions and subject to the restrictions of the said recited act of general assembly, as if the same had been applied for and obtained on or before the first day of June last past, anything in the said act to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

Passed September 2, 1778. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed April 1, 1778, Chapter 796. The Act in the text was repealed by the Act of Assembly passed March 13, 1789, Chapter 1396.

CHAPTER DCCCVIII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE BETTER PREVENTING OBSTRUCTIONS TO THE NAVIGATION OF CHESTER CREEK AND OTHER NAVIGABLE CREEKS AND RIVERS IN THIS PROVINCE."1

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas, in pursuance of an act of general assembly of the province of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act for the better preventing obstructions to the navigation of Chester creek and other navigable creeks and rivers in this province," a drawbridge, which in the year one thousand seven hundred had been first built over the said creek, was in the year one thousand seven hundred and twenty-five rebuilt, and ever since repaired and maintained at the public charge of the said county of Chester and the same bridge is at last decayed and ruined; and it is necessary for the convenience of travelers on the high road that a good safe bridge over the said creek should be always maintained and kept in repair, but the draw or engine to raise and lower the same is of no public utility, and yet attended with extraordinary expenses and inconveniences to the public:

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 commissioners and assessors,

¹ Passed May 14, 1725, Chapter 288.