Laws enacted in the fourth sitting of the fourth General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania which commenced at Philadelphia on Friday, the first day of September, in the year of our Lord 1780.

## CHAPTER CMXIV.

AN ACT TO REMEDY THE INCONVENIENCES OF HOLDING THE AN-NUAL ELECTIONS IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND AND THE SECOND DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF BED-FORD AT THE PLACES HERETOFORE APPOINTED BY THE LAWS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas, it has been found very inconvenient for the freemen of the fourth district of Cumberland county to attend the annual election at the house of James Purdy, in Farmanaugh township, as by an act, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled 'An act for amending the several acts for electing members of assembly,' "<sup>1</sup> passed the fourteenth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven, is directed:

For remedy whereof:

[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 henceforth the freemen of the fourth district of the said county shall meet on the day by the constitution of this commonwealth appointed for such election at the house of Thomas Wilson, in the township of Millford, and then and there elect members of general assembly and other elective officers for said county, and make return thereof according to the laws heretofore made and provided.

(Section III, P. L.) And whereas, it is very inconvenient for

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the freemen of the townships of Air and Bethel, in the county of Bedford, to attend the annual election at the house of John Burd, in the second district of said county, as by the aboverecited act is directed:

Therefore:

[Section II.] (Section IV, P. L.) Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, That henceforth the said townships of Air and Bethel shall be a fifth district of the said county of Bedford for the purpose of such annual election, and that the freemen of the said townships shall hereafter meet on the day appointed by the constitution of this commonwealth for such election at the house of William Hart, in the said township of Bethel, and then and there elect members of general assembly and other elective officers for said county according to the said constitution and the laws in such case made and provided, and a return of such elections shall be made in the same manner as the laws of this commonwealth direct for other districts, anything in the above-recited act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Passed September 20, 1780. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed June 14, 1777, Chapter 757. Recorded L. B. No. 1, p. 399, &c.

## CHAPTER CMXV.

## A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR REGULATING AND ESTABLISHING ADMIRALTY JURISDICTION." 1

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas by the act of assembly, entitled "An act for regulating and establishing admiralty jurisdiction,"<sup>1</sup> passed the eighth day of March last, no provision is made for the trial of capital and criminal offenses committed at sea previous to the passing of the said act, and it is reasonable that the same mode [of trial] should be adopted for offenders of this kind before the said time as since and it is necessary that all such offenders should be duly punished: