

until the same shall be regulated and set by act of assembly. And that the said superintendents shall annually, on the same day when the supervisors of the highways render their accounts to the justices of the quarter sessions of the peace for the county of Philadelphia, exhibit to the said justices a fair and true account of all the donations and loans received, and of the costs and expenses of buildings and incidental charges, and of the income and profits of the said market, and how much of the money lent on certificates hath been paid to the lenders, which account shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the sessions, and be free to the inspection of all persons whom it may concern; and that from and after the liquidation of all sums of money, principal and interest lent on certificates, the clear incomes and profits of the said market shall be employed towards paying the most improved parts of the Northern Liberties, nearest the said market, and repairing the roads and highways in the said Northern Liberties.

Passed September 6, 1783. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 98, etc. See the Act of Assembly passed August 31, 1785, Chapter 1170.

CHAPTER MXXVII.

AN ACT TO RE-ESTABLISH THE CORPORATION OF THE JULIANA LIBRARY COMPANY IN LANCASTER, IN THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas it hath been made appear to the legislature of this state that the late proprietaries of Pennsylvania by their charter under the great seal of the late province bearing date the twenty-second day of October, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-three, did, upon the application of sundry reputable inhabitants of the county of Lancaster, incorporate them by the name of the Juliana Library Company in Lancaster; in pursuance whereof elections of directors, treasurer and librarian have been duly held on the fifteenth day of September annually until the Declaration of Independence, and

a number of by-laws have been passed for the well governing and ordering of the affairs of the said company:

(Section II, P. L.) And whereas the members of the said company have, since the Declaration of Independence, ceased to hold elections and discontinued further proceedings under their charter, inasmuch as it derived its existence from the authority of the crown of Great Britain and have humbly prayed the legislature, by the petition of the late surviving directors of the said company to restore to them all the rights, liberties, powers and privileges, by them held under their former charter and establish their estate and interest in the property by them acquired or purchased under the same:

(Section III, P. L.) And whereas it is highly evident that the advancement of knowledge and useful learning is peculiarly important to the well being of governments formed on democratical principles:

[Section I.] (Section IV, P. L.) Be it therefore 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 all the rights, liberties, powers and privileges, in and by the before mentioned charter to the former members of the Juliana Library Company in Lancaster granted, shall be and are hereby to the present members thereof restored, to the same effect as if such rights, liberties, powers and privileges, in the same charter granted were in and by this act enumerated and repeated; and that all the estate and interest in goods and chattels heretofore by the said corporation under their said charter purchased or acquired, shall be and remain the estate and property of the said company; and that all contracts made by the said corporation with any person or persons whatsoever shall be binding upon the several parties to all intents and purposes as if the same corporation had subsisted without interruption, any law or usage to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

[Section II.] (Section V, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this act and until the fifteenth day of September next, the day of annual election fixed by the said charter, William Augustus

Atlee, Jasper Yeates, William Bausman, Bernhard Hubley, John Hopson, John Hubley, William Henry, John Craig, Matthias Slough, Sebastin Graff and James Burd, shall be directors, Paul Weitzell, treasurer, and John Henry, librarian of the said library company, and that the name of the company by which they were heretofore incorporated shall be continued.

[Section III.] (Section VI, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so much of the proviso in the aforesaid charter as restrains the laws, ordinances, statutes and constitutions of the said corporation that they be not repugnant or contrary to the laws of England, be and the same is hereby repealed.

[Section IV.] (Section VII, P. L.) Provided always, That the rules, by-laws and ordinances of the said corporation shall not be repugnant to the laws of this Commonwealth.

Passed September 6, 1783. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 103, etc.

CHAPTER MXXVIII.

AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE SPEEDY APPREHENDING AND BRINGING TO JUSTICE DIVERS ROBBERS, BURGLARS AND FELONS.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas Caleb Paul, John Paul, Robert Steel, Aaron Doane, Mahlon Doane, Edward Connard, Henry Connard, Jeremiah Cooper, Amos White, Joseph Doane, Abraham Doane, Levi Doane and George Sinclair, have been duly attainted by outlawry in the supreme court of this state of several robberies, burglaries and felonies by them committed within the same; notwithstanding which attainders they continue to perpetrate the like offences, to the great disquiet, terror and impoverishing of many of the good citizens of this commonwealth: And whereas Gideon Vernon, Thomas Bulla, Amos Williams, Edward Richardson and George Burns are suspected and charged and it appears to the legislature that there is good cause to suspect and charge them, and every of them, with