the office of chief burgess of the borough of Lebanon, and, when so qualified, he shall administer an oath or affirmation to the other burgesses, assistants, high constable and town clerk, in manner and form aforesaid, before they shall enter on the duties of their respective offices.

Passed March 28, 1799. Recorded L. B. No. 6, p. 378, etc.

## CHAPTER MMXLXI.

AN ACT TO ENABLE WILLIAM ALEXANDER AND ROBERT ALEXANDER, AND THE SURVIVOR OF THEM, TRUSTEES OF AN ESTATE HELD FOR THE USE OF JONATHAN WILLIAMS AND MARIAMNE HIS WIFE, AND THEIR JOINT HEIRS, WITH THE REMAINDERS OVER, TO SELL AND CONVEY THE SAID ESTATE, OR SUCH PARTS THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSABY, AND TO INVEST THE MONEYS ARISING THEREFROM TO THE SAME USES, BUT IN OTHER PROPERTY MORE BENEFICIAL AND PRODUCTIVE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas it appear, that in pursuance of certain agreements and settlements, in consideration of marriage between Jonathan Williams, now of the county of Philadelphia, and Mariamne, his wife, late Mariamne Alexander, a certain messuage and tract of land, called Mount Pleasant, situate in the township of the Northern Liberties, in the county of Philadelphia, and containing about one hundred acres, and also two lots of ground on the south side of Chestnut street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets from Delaware, in the city of Philadelphia, [was] purchased with moneys furnished by Alexander John Alexander, a party to the said agreements and settlements, and now are vested in William Alexander and Robert Alexander, and their heirs, in trust for the use of the said Jonathan Williams and Marianne, his wife, during their joint lives, and the life of the survivor; and from and after the decease of the said Jonathan and Mariamne Williams, and the survivor of them, to the use of all the children of the said marriage, to be divided among them, in such proportions as should be appointed by a writing under the hands of the said Jonathan and Mariamne Williams, and in

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case no such writing should appear, then to be equally divided among them: and in failure of issue by the said marriage, and in case the said Mariamne Williams should marry a second husband, then to the use of the children of such second marriage, to be equally divided amongst them; and in case the said Marianne Williams should die without leaving children of her body, and after the death of the said Jonathan Willams, then to be divided among such of the nieces of Alexande John Alexander, late of London, as should then be living, in equal shares. And whereas the said Jonathan Williams and Mariamne, his wife, have, by their petition to the legislature, set forth that the said real estates, so held in trust, do not afford an income equal to the legal interest of the sum vested in the purchase thereof, and are insufficient for the convenient support and maintenance of the said Jonahan Williams and Mariamne, his wife, and the education of their children, and that it would greatly conduce to their interest, without prejudicing those in remainder, if the said trustees were authorized to sell and convey the said real estate. or so much thereof as may be found expedient, and to vest the moneys therefrom arising in other and more productive property, on the same trust and to the same uses; and it appearing that the aforesaid Alexander John Alexander has consented to the sale of the said real estate so held in trust for the uses and purposes aforesaid; Therefore:

(Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate Section I.1 and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same. That it shall and may be lawful for William Alexander and Robert Alexander, the present trustees under certain settlements and agreements, entered into in consideration of marriage between Jonathan Williams, now of the county of Philadelphia, and Mariamne, his wife, late Mariamne Alexander, or the survivor of the said trustees, from time to time, to sell and convey, in fee simple, all or any part or parts of a certain messuage and tract of land called Mount Pleasant, situate in the township of the Northern Liberties, in the county of Philadelphia, and two lots of ground on the south side of Chestnut street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets from Delaware, in the city of Philadelphia, which they hold in trust, by virtue of the settlements and agreements made and entered into as aforesaid, and to vest the moneys therefrom arising in other property, producing a greater income in proportion to the principal sum than the property above described, and upon the same trust and to the same uses, in all respect, as are set forth in the settlements and agreements aforesaid.

(Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted [Section II.] by the authority aforesaid, that in case of the death of the survivor of the said trustees, or his absence from the United States, it shall be lawful for the orphans' court of the county of Philadelphia, on the application of any of the parties in interest, to appoint one or more trustees, from time to time, which trustee or trustees, so appointed, shall be seized in like manner, and have the like powers and authorities, and be subject to the same obligation and duties, as the trustees now existing. Provided always, That in case application shall be made for the appointment of any such trustee during the lifetime of either of the present trustees, the consent of the said trustee that such appointment should be made shall be shown, to the satisfaction of the said orphans' court, before such appointment shall take place.

Passed March 28, 1799. Recorded L. B. No. 6, 375, etc.

## CHAPTER MMXLVII.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REMOVAL OF THE SEAT OF JUSTICE IN THE COUNTY OF WAYNE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Whereas the inhabitants of the six upper townships in the county of Wayne have, by their memorials, set forth to the general assembly of this commonwealth the great hardships they suffer, in consequence of the seat of justice being fixed at Mil-