

CHAPTER MMCXXVII.

AN ACT VESTING IN THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, FOR THE USE OF THE CITY, A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND THEREIN DESCRIBED.

Whereas by the second section of an act passed the eighth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, entitled, "An act for directing the sale of such of the city lots as remain the property of the state, and for disposing of the house and lots in High street, in the city of Philadelphia, late the estate of Joseph Galloway, and forfeited to this commonwealth,"¹ the supreme executive council were authorized and required to reserve so many of the public lots, as shall be at least two hundred feet, and not more than four hundred feet square, in such part of the city as they may judge most convenient, to be appropriated as a burial ground for the interment of deceased strangers, and such other persons who may not have been in communion with any religious society at the time of their decease. And whereas, in pursuance of the said act, patents dated December the thirteenth, one thousand seven hundred and ninety, were granted for two lots on the south side of Lombard street, one bounded on the east by Tenth, and on the west by Eleventh street, which has been appropriated as a burial ground, and is now so full that the corporation have thought proper to prohibit future interments therein, the other bounded on the east by Eleventh, and on the west by Twelfth street, having been previously granted by patent to William Adcock and Christian Ritz, the corporation could not obtain possession of, and of course could not apply to the purpose intended by the act. For remedy whereof:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate 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 all the right and title which the

¹Chapter 1225.

commonwealth has in and to the lot bounded on the east by Ninth street, on the north by Lombard street, on the west by Tenth street, and on the south by ground of Barron and Hurst, be, and the same is hereby, vested in the corporation of the city of Philadelphia, for the purpose of interring deceased strangers.

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CHAPTER MMCXXVIII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED, "AN ACT FOR ESTABLISHING A NIGHTLY WATCH, PROVIDING LAMPS, AND SUPPORTING PUMPS FOR PUBLIC USE AT A COMMON CHARGE, WITHIN A CERTAIN PART OF THE TOWNSHIP OF THE NORTHERN [LIBERTIES] OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA."¹

Whereas it has been represented to the legislature, that the "Act for establishing a nightly watch, providing lamps, and supporting pumps for public use at a common charge, in a certain part of the township of the Northern Liberties of the city of Philadelphia," passed the thirteenth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-one,² is insufficient for its purpose, inasmuch as the tax which the commissioners under that act are authorized to impose, does not produce a sum adequate to pay the necessary expenses of the establishment. Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate 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 be lawful for the commissioners appointed under the "Act for establishing a nightly watch, providing lamps, and supporting pumps for public use at a common charge, within a certain part of the township of the Northern Liberties of the city of Philadelphia," or a majority of them, to lay a rate or rates in any one year, not exceeding seven

¹Chapter 1225.

²Chapter 1541.