term not less than five years, nor more than twelve years, and pay a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars, at the discretion of the court.

Section IV. (Section IV, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the publishing of this act, it may and shall be lawful for any of the presidents of the courts of common pleas, to admit to bail any person accused of any or either of the crimes of robbery, burglary, sodomy, or buggery, as fully, amply, and effectually, as the judges of the supreme court, or some or one of them might or could do, under the act, entitled "An act to reform the penal laws of this state," passed the fifth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety,⁽¹⁾ any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section V. (Section V, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so much of any law or laws as is hereby altered or supplied, be and the same is hereby repealed and no further.

> Approved March 21, 1806. Recorded in L. B. No. 10, p. 350. Note (¹) Chapter 1516; 13 Statutes at Large, p. 511.

CHAPTER MMDCC.

AN ACT TO VEST IN THE COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS CERTAIN POW-ERS CONCERNING WRITS OF PARTITION.

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 from henceforward the respective county courts of common pleas, shall have and exercise all the powers which the supreme court had and possessed by the act passed the eleventh day of April one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, entitled "An act concerning writs of partition,"⁽¹⁾ as to the granting and proceeding upon writs of partition, at the suit of any tenant in common, joint tenant or copartner; but in every case the writ of partition

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shall be directed to the sheriff of that county in which it issues. Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That an exemplification of the proceedings which may at any time hereafter be had by virtue of this act, together with the deed of conveyance made by the sheriff, shall within six months after the execution thereof, be delivered to the recorded of deeds in such adjoining county or counties, in which the application shall not have been made, and in which any part or parts of the said lands are or may be situated; which recorder shall enter the same on record of his proper county at the joint expense of all parties concerned therein.

Section III. (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all lands, not seated or improved, but remaining in their natural state, shall be divided and valued, according to the second section of the act⁽¹⁾ aforesaid, and that the third section of the same act is hereby repealed.

> Approved March 28, 1806. Recorded in L. B. No. 10, p. 351. Note (¹) Chapter 2090; 16 Statutes at Large, p. 340.

CHAPTER MMDCCI.

AN ACT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COLLEGE AT THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Whereas the happiness and prosperity of every community, under the direction and government of Divine Providence, depends much on the right education of the youth, who must succeed the aged in the important offices of society; and the most exalted nations have acquired their preeminence by the virtuous principles and liberal knowledge instilled into the minds of the rising generation: And whereas by the petition and address of the trustees of the academy of Washington, in the county of Washington, it appears that they are placed in a condition to extend their plan of education, by having the learned languages, the arts, sciences, and literature, taught

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