

## CHAPTER XXIII.

*A SUPPLEMENT*

To the act, entitled "An act for incorporating the German Lutheran congregation in and near the borough of Lancaster, in the state of Pennsylvania."

SECT. 1. *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 the members of the congregation of the German Lutheran church in the city, (formerly borough) of Lancaster, duly qualified to elect officers of the said church, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to elect three church wardens, in addition to the present number, at their next annual election, one of whom shall be elected for one year, one for two years, and the remaining one for three years; and the corporation of the minister, trustees, elders and church wardens of the congregation aforesaid, shall hereafter consist of the minister or ministers of the said congregation, duly chosen from time to time, and of three trustees, nine elders and nine church wardens, and one third part in number of the elders and church wardens shall cease and discontinue, and their appointments determine as heretofore on the Easter Monday in every year, when a new election shall be had and held of an equal number in their places and stead.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of the act to which this is a supplement as is hereby altered, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

JOHN GILMORE, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM MARKS, Junior,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—February the fifth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

JOSEPH HIESTER.

## CHAPTER XXIV.

*AN ACT*

To annul the marriage of John Erb and Catharine his wife.

SECT. 1. *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 the marriage contract entered into by and between John Erb and Catharine his wife, late Catharine Blaser, both of the county of Adams, be, and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from the said contract, and from all the legal duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully, effectually and absolutely as if they had never been joined in marriage.*

JOHN GILMORE, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

WILLIAM MARKS, Junior,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—February the eighth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

JOSEPH HIESTER.

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## CHAPTER XXV.

### *AN ACT*

To incorporate and endow the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb.

WHEREAS a number of citizens desirous to reclaim the deaf and dumb, of whom there are many in this commonwealth, to the rank of their species, and render them useful members of society, have associated for these benevolent purposes, and have opened and supported by their voluntary contributions an asylum and school in the city of Philadelphia, where the children of the rich for a moderate compensation, and of the poor gratuitously, laboring under the privation of the faculty of speech are maintained and educated. And whereas the persons so associated, have prayed to be incorporated and to receive from the legislature such pecuniary aid, as with the fund already raised and the further donations that may be expected from the charitable, will be sufficient to continue and enlarge an institution so salutary to the afflicted, so beneficial to the community, and so honorable to the state.

SECT. 1. *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 the members of "The Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb," and all who according to the con-*