

## CHAPTER CCVII.

*An ACT to raise by way of Lottery, the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars, to enable the Company, for the purpose of promoting the Cultivation of Vines to pay their debts, and accomplish the object of their association, and Two Thousand Dollars, for erecting a School-House near Summery-town, in Montgomery County.*

**W**HEREAS the company for the purpose of promoting the cultivation of vines, have represented to the Legislature, that in the execution of the plan of their association, they have purchased a piece of ground, and have planted a great number of vines, but that owing partly to their not having obtained the number of subscriptions contemplated, and partly to the delinquency of subscribers, they find themselves unable without aid to pay the debts they have contracted, and to proceed with this interesting experiment: And whereas the exertions which they have made as well as the general importance to the State of their object, entitle them to encouragement: Therefore,

*Section 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 Richard Smith, major Anthony Simmons, John Goodwin, Peter Christian, Robert Bethel, Benjamin S. Barton, M. D. and James Vanuxem, or a majority of them, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to raise by way of lottery, the sum of seven thousand dollars, to enable the company, for the purpose of promoting the cultivation of vines to pay their debts, and accomplish the purposes of their association.

*Commissioners appointed to raise by way of lottery 7000 dollars, &c.*

The commissioners, before they proceed to sell the tickets, to lay the scheme before the Governor for his approbation, and enter into bonds for the faithful performance of their duties, &c.

further duties of the commissioners,

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the commissioners before they proceed to sell any tickets in the said lottery, shall lay such scheme thereof before the Governor as shall meet his approbation, and enter into bonds to him for the due and faithful performance of their duties in selling the tickets; drawing the lottery; paying the prizes; and applying the proceeds, and each of them, before entering on the duties of his appointment, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation, diligently and faithfully, to perform the duties hereby entrusted to him, and two of the said commissioners at least, shall attend each day's drawing of the aforesaid lottery, and when the whole is completed, shall cause an accurate list of the fortunate numbers to be published in one newspaper at least, printed in the city of Philadelphia.

Commissioners authorized to adjust accounts, &c.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said commissioners be, and they are hereby authorized to settle and adjust all accounts which may be exhibited by any person or persons legally employed in carrying this act into effect, and that all expenses necessarily attending the same, shall be paid by the aforesaid commissioners out of the proceeds of the said lottery, and it shall be the duty of the said commissioners, and they are hereby enjoined and required to pay over the residue to the president and managers of the said company, for the use of the said company.

Prizes not demanded within a given time to be considered as relinquished, &c.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all prizes not demanded within twelve months after the publication as aforesaid, shall be considered as relinquished for the benefit of the said company.

Sec. 5.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That Philip Gable, junr. George Hertzil, Lawrence Jacoby, Philip Zeff, Daniel Smith and Philip Hahn, junr. be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to raise by way of lottery a sum of money not exceeding two thousand dollars to be by them applied for the erection of a school house near Summony town, in Montgomery county, on the lot of ground given by general Daniel Heister, deceased, for that purpose, and that the said commissioners before they proceed to sell any tickets in said lottery, shall lay such scheme thereof before the Governor as shall meet his approbation, and enter into bonds to him for the due performance of their duty in drawing the same, and each of them before entering on the duties of his appointment, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation, diligently and faithfully, to perform the duties hereby entrusted to him, and two or more of the said commissioners shall attend at the drawing of each day, and when the drawing shall be completed, they shall cause an accurate list of the fortunate numbers to be published in the Reading Eagle, or one of the Norristown papers, and shall pay and discharge all prizes that shall be legally entitled thereto, within six months after the drawing is finished, and all those prizes not demanded within twelve months after the drawing is completed, shall be considered as relinquished to and for the use of erecting the said school-house.

Commissioners appointed to raise by way of lottery 2000 dollars to be applied in erecting a school-house near Summony town, in Montgomery county.

Commissioners to lay the scheme before the Governor, to give bond, &c.

Further duties of the commissioners.

Prizes not demanded within twelve months after the drawing is completed, to be considered as relinquished, &c.

CHARLES PORTER, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives*  
 JAMES BRADY, *Speaker*  
*of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the thirty-first day of March,  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
 hundred and six.

THOMAS M'KEAN.