

and direction of the testament and last will of the said Andrew Marshall, deceased.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the fifteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eight.

THOMAS M'KEAN

CHAPTER XXXI.

An ACT to declare Masquerades and Masqued Balls to be Common Nuisances, and to punish those who promote or encourage them.

SECT. I. *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 Masquerades and masqued balls, be, and they are hereby declared to be common nuisances; and every housekeeper within this commonwealth, who shall knowingly permit or suffer a masquerade or masqued ball to be held or given in his or her house, and every person who shall set on foot, promote or encourage, any masquerade or masqued ball, and every person who shall knowingly attend or be present at any masquerade or masqued ball, in mask or otherwise, being thereof legally convicted, in the mayor's court of the city of Philadelphia, or in any court of quarter-sessions of the peace, or oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery, shall, for each and every such offence, be sentenced to an imprisonment not exceeding three months, and to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand nor less than fifty dollars, and to give security in such sum as the court may direct, to keep the peace and be of good behaviour for one year.

Masquerade and masqued balls, declared to be common nuisances.

Penalty on persons setting on foot or promoting masquerades and masqued balls.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the offences declared in and by the first section of this act, shall be prosecuted by indictment, in the following form: *to wit,* "The grand inquest of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, inquiring for the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ upon their oaths and affirmations respectively, do present, That \_\_\_\_\_ late of the said \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_ at the \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this court, did set on foot, promote and encourage a masquerade, within the \_\_\_\_\_ aforesaid, to the great danger of \_\_\_\_\_

Offenders in the premises to be prosecuted by indictment.

Form thereof

the public morals, to the common nuisance of all the good citizens of this commonwealth, contrary to the form of the act of Assembly in such case made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania;” under which indictment any of the offences, declared in and by the first section of this act, may be given in evidence, as if the same had been therein particularly set forth and described; and no exception shall be allowed to such indictment for insufficiency of form.

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CHAPTER XXXII.

*An ACT to raise by way of Lottery, a Sum of Money for the purpose of erecting a School-house for the use of the joint Lutheran and Reformed Congregations at the Union Church in White-hall Township, in the County of Northampton, and to defray the expences of said Church.*

SECTION I. *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 Daniel Snyder, Frederick Housman, Peter Kern, Michael Deiber, Stephen Balliot, senior and Peter Butz of said county 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 purpose of erecting a School-house for the use of the joint Lutheran and Reformed Congregations at the Union church in Whitehall township in said county, and to discharge the expences incurred on their said church.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said commissioners before they proceed to sell any tickets in the lottery aforesaid, 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 selling the tickets, drawing the lottery and paying the prizes, 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 intrusted to him, and three or more of said commissioners shall attend at the drawing of each day, and

Commissioners appointed.

Sum of money to be raised, and how to be applied.

Commissioners to lay the scheme before the Governor for his approbation, and give bond for the due performance of their duty.