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JAMES HAMILTON, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

CHAPTER CCCLXXXVII.

An ACT for explaining and ascertaining the boundary line between the counties of York and Cumberland, in the province of Pennsylvania. (p)

WHEREAS by an act of General Assembly, of this province, entitled *An Act for erecting part of the province of Pennsylvania, westward of Susquehanna, and south eastward of the South Mountain, into a county*, passed in the twenty-third year of the present reign, it was enacted, that all and singular the lands lying within the province of Pennsylvania aforesaid, to the westward of the river Susquehanna, and southward and eastward of the South Mountain, should be erected into a county, and the same were thereby erected into a county by the name of York, bounded northward and westward by a line to be run from the said river Susquehanna along the ridge of the said South Mountain, until it shall intersect the Maryland line, southward by the said Maryland line, and eastward by the said river Susquehanna. And whereas by a subsequent act of General Assembly of this province, passed in the same year of the present reign, entitled *An act for erecting part of the province of Pennsylvania, westward of Susquehanna, and northward and westward of the county of York, into a county*, it was enacted, that all and singular the lands lying within the province of Pennsylvania aforesaid, to the westward of Susquehanna, and northward and westward of the county of York, should be, and thereby were erected into a county, by the name of Cumberland; bounded northward

(p) See ante. chapters 377, 380, and the notes there subjoined. (Note to former edition.)

and westward with the line of the province, eastward, partly with the river Susquehanna, and partly with the said county of York, and southward, in part by the said county of York, and part by the line dividing the said province from that of Maryland. And whereas, to the end the counties of York and Cumberland might be the better ascertained and known, it was by the said last mentioned act of Assembly further enacted, that it should be lawful for the trustees named in the said act, and the act of Assembly by which the county of York was erected into a county, or for a majority of each of them, and they were thereby required and firmly enjoined, within the space of six months next after the publication of the said act, to assemble themselves together, and, with the assistance of one or more Surveyors, by them respectively to be provided, to run, mark out and distinguish, the boundary line between the said counties of York and Cumberland. But forasmuch as the ridge of mountains called the South Mountain, along which the lines, dividing the said counties of York and Cumberland, were directed to be run by the several herein before mentioned acts from the river Susquehanna to the mouth of a run of water, called Dogwood Run, is discontinued, much broken, and not easily to be distinguished, whereby great differences have arisen between the trustees of the said counties, concerning the manner of running the said line; by which means the boundaries of the said counties, between the river Susquehanna and the mouth of the aforesaid run of water, called Dogwood Run, are altogether unsettled, and so likely to continue, to the great injury of the said counties, and to the frustrating the good purposes by the herein before mentioned acts of Assembly intended: For preventing whereof, and to the end the boundaries between the said counties of York and Cumberland may be certainly known, *Be it enacted*, That the creek, called Yellow-breeches Creek, from the mouth thereof, where it empties itself into the river Susquehanna aforesaid, up the several courses thereof, to the mouth of a run of water, called Dogwood Run, and from thence on one continued straight line, to be run to the ridge of mountains, called the South Mountain, and from thence along the ridge of the said South Mountain, until it intersect the Maryland line, shall be, and is hereby declared to be, the boundary line between the said counties of York and Cumberland. (q)

The division line of the two counties described.

II. Obsolete. [Trustees appointed to run the lines within four months.]

III. *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken to disannul or make void the said recited acts, or any thing therein contained; but that every clause, article and sentence therein, except what is hereby altered or supplied, shall be and remain in full force and virtue.

Passed 9th February, 1750-1.—Recorded A. vol. III. page 242.

(q) There seems to be an error in the date recited in the preamble, the act referred to having been passed in the 22d, and not the 23d Geo. II. See ante. chapters 377, 380. (*Note to former edition.*)