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OF THE

General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

Passed at a Session which commenced October 14th, 1768,
and ended September 30th, 1769.

JOHN PENN, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

1769.

CHAPTER DLXXXIV.

An ACT to enable the owners and possessors of the Wicacoa and Moyamensing meadows to erect a dam across Hollander's-creek, near its junction with Hay-creek, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

Passed 18th February, 1769.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 319.

CHAPTER DLXXXV.

An ACT to enable the owners and possessors of a certain tract of marsh and meadow land, therein described, situate in the township of Kingsess, in the county of Philadelphia, to keep the banks, dams, sluices and flood-gates, in repair, and to raise a fund to defray the expense thereof.

Passed 18th February, 1769.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 273.

CHAPTER DLXXXVIII.

An ACT to enable the Recorder of Deeds, for the city and county of Philadelphia, to receive into his custody the ancient books and records of the corporation of Germantown.

WHEREAS the late honourable William Penn, Esquire, Proprietary of this province, by his charter, bearing date the twelfth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and eighty-nine, did incorporate divers persons therein mentioned.

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by the name of "The Bailiff, Burgesses and commonalty of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, in the province of Pennsylvania," and, among other powers and authorities, grant unto the said corporation a right to hold Courts of Record: And whereas the said persons did assume on themselves, and exercise the said powers and authorities, and held the said Courts of Record, until the year one thousand seven hundred and seven, and afterwards, and ever since, have altogether ceased from the exercise thereof, or any of them: And whereas, during the exercise of the said powers and authorities, divers judgments given, and orders and regulations made in pursuance thereof, were entered on record, and sundry deeds, conveyances and other writings, were recorded in the books of the said corporation; and it is expedient and necessary, for the benefit and security of the persons, whose interest and estates are concerned in the preservation of the said records, that they should be deposited in the care of a proper officer, legally authorized to give exemplifications and copies thereof: *Be it therefore enacted*, That the said books shall, immediately after the publication hereof, be deposited in the office for recording of deeds in the county of Philadelphia. And the record or entry of any such judgment, order or regulation, and of all deeds, conveyances and other writings, in the same books contained, or exemplifications or copies thereof, being examined by the Recorder of Deeds for the city and county of Philadelphia, and certified under his hand and seal of office, which he is hereby enjoined to put and affix thereto, shall be allowed, deemed and taken, and are hereby declared to be as good evidence, and as valid and effectual in law, as the originals themselves, and the same may be pleaded, given in evidence, and made use of accordingly.

Exemplifications, &c certified by the Recorder to be valid.

Passed 18th February, 1769.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 324.

CHAPTER DXCIV.

An ACT for regulating, pitching, paving and cleansing, the highways, streets, lanes and alleys; and for regulating, making and amending the water courses and common sewers, within the inhabited and settled parts of the city of Philadelphia; for raising of money to defray the expenses thereof; and for other purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS the paving the streets, lanes and alleys, within the inhabited and settled parts of the city of Philadelphia, so far as they have been already paved, and the keeping the same clean, hath greatly contributed to the preservation of the health of the people inhabiting therein, and resorting thither: And whereas the law for effecting these good purposes is near expiring, and divers streets, lanes and alleys, within the said city remain yet unpaved; *Be it enacted*, That Thomas Say, Henry Lisle, Thomas Tilbury, Henry Drinker, Samuel Bryan, and John Mifflin, are hereby nominated, and appointed Commissioners for paving and cleansing the said streets; and that the said Thomas Say and Henry Lisle shall continue in their respective

Names of the Commissioners.

Time of their con-