

1783. or office, shall, before two Justices of the peace of the city of Philadelphia, or of some county of this state, take and subscribe the oath or affirmation prescribed by the fortieth section of the constitution of this commonwealth, to be taken by the officers of this state, and also the oath or affirmation of allegiance directed to be taken by the same officers, in and by the seventh and eighth sections of an act of Assembly, made and passed the fifth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight, entitled "A further Supplement to the act, entitled "An Act for the further security of the government," and shall also take an oath or affirmation for the faithful discharge of their trust of office aforesaid.

Passed 9th September, 1783.—Recorded in Law Book No. II. page 110.

CHAPTER MXX.

An ACT for erecting the town of Reading, in the county of Berks, into a borough: for regulating the buildings, preventing nuisances and encroachments on the squares, streets, lanes and alleys of the same, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

[THIS act is in the same words as the act for incorporating the borough of Carlisle, ante. pa. 17, chap. 958. All the sections corresponding—so that the abstract there given will shew the powers, privileges, &c. of the corporation of the borough of Reading.—Three sections however, in the Carlisle act, respecting the public commons, are peculiar to that act, no such provisions being inserted in this act.

This act is printed at large—vol. 2, folio, pa. 124, vol. 2d 8vo pa. 419.]

Passed September, 12th, 1783.—Recorded in Law Book, No. II. pa. 120.

CHAPTER MXXI.

An ACT to repeal sundry acts of Assembly, imposing duties on goods, wares and merchandize, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

SECT. I. WHEREAS the commissioners for the defence of the bay and river Delaware, have, by their memorial to the Supreme Executive Council, and transmitted by them to this House, set forth, that they apprehend they are in possession of money sufficient to answer the ends of their appointment :

SECT. II. And whereas the merchants of the city of Philadelphia have represented it as detrimental to the trade of this state, to continue the duty of four-pence per gallon on all wines imported, and two shillings and six-pence per dozen on all wines imported in bottles, and four-pence per gallon on all strong beer in casks, and two shillings and six-pence per dozen on such beer imported in bottles, and two-pence per pound on all refined sugar, imposed by the act, entitled "An Act for raising and collecting of money on