

# A C T S

OF THE

## General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

Passed during the sixth General Assembly, which commenced the 1st of December, 1795, and ended 4th April, 1796.

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THOMAS MIFFLIN, GOVERNOR.  
ROBERT HARE, SPEAKER OF THE SENATE.  
GEORGE LATIMER, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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1796.

### CHAPTER MDCCCLVIII.

An ACT ceding to the United States of America two certain out lots of the town of Franklin, at the mouth of French creek, in the county of Allegheny. [See chap. 1845, ante, pa. 233.]

SECT. 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* two certain contiguous out lots of the town of Franklin, at the mouth of French creek, in the county of Allegheny, viz. number twenty-seven, containing one acre and fifty-four perches, and number thirty, containing one acre and fifty-seven perches, shall be, and hereby are, ceded to and vested in the United States of America, for their accommodation and use in erecting forts and magazines, and such other improvements thereon, as they may judge proper to make for their convenience; and it shall and may be lawful for the said United States to possess, occupy and hold the said two out lots, so long as they shall deem it expedient to maintain, and shall actually maintain, a fort, garrison, or other military establishment, on the hereby ceded premises, and no longer: *Provided*, and it is the express intent and meaning of this act, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed, construed, or in any wise taken, to cede and transfer unto the said United States the jurisdiction, or right of soil, in

Cession of two out lots, contiguous to the town of Franklin, to the United States.

Reservation of the jurisdiction and right of soil.

1796. and to the said two out-lots, but only the occupancy and use thereof, for the purposes aforesaid.

Passed 1st February, 1796.—Recorded in Law Book No. VI. page 61.

## CHAPTER MDCCCLIX.

*An ACT to erect part of Washington county into a separate county.*

**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 all that part of Washington county, lying within the limits and bounds herein after described, shall be, and is hereby erected into a separate county, that is to say; beginning at the mouth of Ten Mile creek, on the Monongahela river; thence up Ten Mile creek to the junction of the north and south forks of said creek; thence up said north fork to Colonel William Wallace's mills; thence up a southwesterly direction to the nearest part of the dividing ridge between the north and south forks of Ten Mile creek; thence along the top of the said ridge to the ridge which divides the waters of Ten Mile and Wheeling creeks; thence a straight line to the head of Enlow's Branch of the Wheeling; thence down said branch to the western boundary line of the state; thence south along the said line to the southern boundary line of the state; thence east along said line to the river Monongahela; and thence down the said river to the place of beginning; to be henceforth known and called by the name of Greene county.*

The county of Greene erected, and its boundaries described.

**SECT. II.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the inhabitants of the said county of Greene be entitled to, and shall at all times hereafter have, all and singular the courts, jurisdictions, officers, rights and privileges, to which the inhabitants of other counties of this state are entitled by the constitution and laws of this state.*

The rights and privileges of the inhabitants of the new county the same as in other counties.

[**SECT. III.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That a number of proper persons, not fewer than three, nor more than four, shall be appointed and commissioned Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas in and for the said county of Greene; and that Courts of Common Pleas and General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, to be holden in and for said county of Greene, shall be opened on the Monday next following the County Court of Fayette, which shall be held in December next, and then the said courts shall be holden each and every succeeding term on the Mondays following the County Courts of Fayette county; and the said Courts of Quarter Sessions shall sit three days at each session, if there be occasion, and no longer, and shall be held at the house now occupied by Jacob Kline, on Muddy creek, until a court-house shall be built and erected, as herein after directed, in the county aforesaid; and the said several courts shall then be holden and kept at the said court-house, on the days before mentioned.]*

Justices of the Peace to be appointed.

(Supplied.)

When and where the County Courts shall be held.

**SECT. IV.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That no suit or prosecution, which has been heretofore commenced, or*

Of process now depend.