

public roads and highways are by law directed to be maintained and supported.

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### CHAPTER DCLXXXIII.

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AN ACT FOR MAKING PERPETUAL AN ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT DIRECTING THE CHOICE OF INSPECTORS AND FOR HOLDING THE GENERAL ELECTIONS IN THIS PROVINCE." <sup>1</sup>

Whereas the act of general assembly passed in the sixth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled "An act directing the choice of inspectors and for holding the general elections in this province," <sup>1</sup> has been found by experience very useful in preserving good order at the general elections and securing the rights and privileges of the several counties of this province and the city of Philadelphia in the election of members to serve in assembly and is near expiring:

[Section I.] Be it therefore enacted by the Honorable Richard Penn, Esquire, Lieutenant-Governor under the Honorable Thomas Penn and John Penn, Esquires, true and absolute Proprietaries of the Province of Pennsylvania, by and with the advise and consent of the representatives of the freemen of the said Province in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the said act entitled "An act directing the choice of inspectors and for holding the general elections in this province," <sup>1</sup> and every clause, article, matter and thing therein contained except the clause limiting the continuance of the said act shall be and is hereby declared to be in full force and is hereby made perpetual, anything in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

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<sup>1</sup> Passed February 8, 1766, Chapter 539.

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#### CHAPTER DCLXXXIV.

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AN ACT FOR CONFIRMING THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM MARTIN IN AND TO A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND IN THE TOWNSHIP OF CHARLESTOWN IN THE COUNTY OF CHESTER.

Whereas the Honorable William Penn, Esquire, late proprietary of this province, did by patent dated the thirtieth day of November, one thousand seven hundred and three, and recorded in the rolls office at Philadelphia in patent book A, volume the second, page six hundred and thirty-one, grant unto John Budd, of the city of Philadelphia, gentleman, one thousand acres of land in fee, situate in the township of Charlestown in the county of Chester, by metes and bounds in the same patent specified:

And whereas the said John Budd and Rebecca, his wife, did by their deed dated the eighth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and fourteen, grant three hundred acres, part of the aforesaid one thousand acres, to John Martin and William Martin in fee:

And whereas the said John Martin and William Martin died seized of the said three hundred acres of land intestate and without issue:

And whereas Thomas Martin and Martha, his wife, and Llewelyn Martin (the said Thomas and Llewelyn being the brothers of the aforesaid John and William Martin) by their deed dated the sixth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one, did grant the same three hundred acres to Lewis Martin in fee, who by his deed dated the sixteenth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven, granted one hundred and six acres thereof to his son William Martin in fee:

And whereas it appears that the aforesaid deed from John