

any person or persons, their heirs and assigns forever according to the directions and subject to the restrictions of the said recited act of general assembly, as if the same had been applied for and obtained on or before the first day of June last past, anything in the said act to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

Passed September 2, 1778. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed April 1, 1778, Chapter 796. The Act in the text was repealed by the Act of Assembly passed March 13, 1789, Chapter 1396.

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## CHAPTER DCCCVIII.

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A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE BETTER PREVENTING OBSTRUCTIONS TO THE NAVIGATION OF CHESTER CREEK AND OTHER NAVIGABLE CREEKS AND RIVERS IN THIS PROVINCE."<sup>1</sup>

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas, in pursuance of an act of general assembly of the province of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act for the better preventing obstructions to the navigation of Chester creek and other navigable creeks and rivers in this province," a drawbridge, which in the year one thousand seven hundred had been first built over the said creek, was in the year one thousand seven hundred and twenty-five rebuilt, and ever since repaired and maintained at the public charge of the said county of Chester and the same bridge is at last decayed and ruined; and it is necessary for the convenience of travelers on the high road that a good safe bridge over the said creek should be always maintained and kept in repair, but the draw or engine to raise and lower the same is of no public utility, and yet attended with extraordinary expenses and inconveniences to the public:

Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the commissioners and assessors,

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<sup>1</sup> Passed May 14, 1725, Chapter 288.

with the concurrence of the magistrates of the county of Chester, shall as soon as may be, cause a new bridge to be built at the place where the old bridge formerly stood, leaving at least twenty feet clear between the timber or stone work, and not less than eighteen feet in breadth and eight feet headway at high water for the easy passage of rafts, flats, shallops and other crafts and that the said bridge shall be made fast and close continued from one side of the creek to the other without any draw or opening for a mast; anything in the said act of general assembly to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so much of the said recited act to which this is a supplement as is herein altered or amended, is hereby declared to be repealed, and of no further force or effect.

Passed September 3, 1778. See the note to the Act of Assembly passed August 14, 1725, Chapter 288.

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## CHAPTER DCCCIX.

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### AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE EXPORTATION OF PROVISIONS FROM THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR A LIMITED TIME.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas it is highly expedient to preserve within this state such articles of the produce thereof as may be necessary for the support of the inhabitants of the same or for the use of the United States of America:

(Section II, P. L.) And whereas the restraining of the exportation of provisions may have a tendency to distress our enemies, and greatly weaken their operations against us by withholding from them the supplies they frequently obtain by capturing our vessels trading from this state:

Therefore:

[Section I.] (Section III, P. L.) Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representative of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the