CHAPTER DCCCXVIII.

AN ACT FOR THE REPEAL OF SO MUCH OF THE ACT OF ASSEMBLY ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR THE ATTAINDER OF DIVERS TRAITORS IF THEY RENDER NOT THEMSELVES BY A CERTAIN DAY, AND FOR VESTING THEIR ESTATES IN THIS COMMONWEALTH; AND FOR MORE EFFECTUALLY DISCOVERING THE SAME AND ASCERTAINING AND SATISFYING THE LAWFUL DEBTS AND CLAIMS THEREUPON," 1 AS RELATES TO REYNOLD KEEN, IN THE SAID ACT NAMED.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas it is set forth in the petition of Reynold Keen to this house that he the said Reynold Keen, from his situation in the city of Philadelphia, [and] in the power of the enemy, was unable to render himself to some one justice of the supreme court or of the justices of the peace of one of the counties within this state on or before the day limited and appointed in the said act:

(Section II, P. L.) And whereas the said Reynold Keen hath prayed that he may be permitted to have a public and legal trial for any offense he may be charged with:

Therefore for giving relief in the premises:

[Section I.] (Section III, 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 so much of the said act as attaints the said Reynold Keen of high treason be, and the same is hereby declared to be repealed, annulled and made void.

[Section II.] (Section IV, P. L.) Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to repeal or alter any part of the said law only with regard to the person of the said Reynold Keen.

[Section III.] (Section V, P. L.) Provided always nevertheless, That he the said Reynold Keen shall render himself to some one of the justices of the supreme court on or before the first

¹ Passed March 6, 1778, Chapter 784.

day of December next, and also abide his legal trial for any treason or misprison of treason, that he is, has been, or may be charged with.

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CHAPTER DCCCIX.

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT, FOR A LIMITED TIME THE MAKING OF WHISKEY AND OTHER SPIRITS FROM WHEAT, RYE, OR ANY OTHER SORT OF GRAIN OR FROM ANY MEAL OR FLOUR.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas the enormous quantity of grain which is distilled throughout this state, tends to increase the price thereof, to [the] great oppression of the poor and occasions a difficulty in procuring the necessary supplies for the armies of the United States:

For remedy whereof:

[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 from and after the tenth day of December next no whiskey or other spirit whatsoever shall be made, extracted or distilled within the city and county of Philadelphia and the counties of Chester, Bucks, Lancaster, York, Cumberland, Berks and Northampton from any wheat, rye, barley, malt or other grain, or from any meal or flour before the first day of September next.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the twenty-fifth day of December next, no whiskey or other spirit whatsoever, shall be made, extracted or distilled within the counties of Bedford, Westmoreland, or Northumberland from any wheat, rye, barley, malt or other grain or from any meal or flour before the first day of September next.