

at the time of the marriage aforesaid seized in her demesne as of fee), during the joint lives of them, the said Henry Hugh Ferguson and Elizabeth, his wife:

And whereas, the said Elizabeth appears to have acted a friendly part to the cause of the United States and to be in such a peculiar situation as to deserve the protection and indulgence of this commonwealth:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it therefore 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 all the estate, right, title or interest which the said Henry Hugh Ferguson acquired in the aforesaid farm and tract of land, with the appurtenances, by his marriage with the said Elizabeth, shall be and are hereby vested in the said Elizabeth during her natural life, the said marriage and the attainder of the said Henry Hugh Ferguson and the forfeiture accruing to the commonwealth thereupon to the contrary hereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Passed April 2, 1781. Recorded L. B. No. 1, p. 421, etc.

CHAPTER CMXXXIV.

AN ACT TO REVIVE AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REVIVE AN ACT TO PREVENT THE TRESPASSING UPON THE UNENCLOSED GROUNDS LYING IN THE TOWNSHIPS OF PASSYUNK, MOYAMENSING, NORTHERN LIBERTIES AND GERMANTOWN IN THE COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA AND TO EXTEND THE SAID ACT TO THE ADJOINING TOWNSHIP OF BRISTOL IN THE SAME COUNTY, AND TO PREVENT SWINE FROM RUNNING AT LARGE WITHIN THE SAID TOWNSHIPS FOR A LIMITED TIME." ¹

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas, the act of assembly passed the third day of March, [in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty], to prevent the trespassing upon the unenclosed grounds lying in the townships of Passyunk, Moyamensing, Northern Liberties and Germantown, in the county

¹ Passed March 13, 1780, Chapter 392.

of Philadelphia, and to extend the said act to the adjoining township of Bristol, in the same county, and to prevent swine from running at large within the said townships for a limited time, hath been found a necessary and beneficial law for the landholders and inhabitants of the said district:

And whereas the said act has expired by its own limitation:

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it therefore 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 passing of this act the said revised act and every clause, matter and thing therein contained, the clause of limitation and the fourth section directing the penalty only excepted, shall be and is hereby revived as fully as if the same was herein particularly recited, and shall continue until the first day of November next, and no longer.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That instead of the penalty of ten pounds by the said act directed to be levied for every beast suffered to run at large contrary to the directions thereof, there shall be levied for and during the continuance of this act the sum of twenty shillings.

Passed April 2, 1781. Recorded L. B. No. 1, p. 421, etc. See the Acts of Assembly passed April 5, 1779, Chapter 840; March 13, 1780, Chapter 892.

CHAPTER CMXXXV.

AN ACT DIRECTING THE MODE OF ADJUSTING AND SETTLING THE PAYMENT OF DEBTS AND CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO AND MADE BETWEEN THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN, AND THE FIRST DAY OF MARCH, ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas, the good people of this state labor under many inconveniences for want of some rule whereby to settle and adjust the payment of debts and contracts entered