

cutive council shall continue to receive the usual fees and perquisites of his office and shall make entry thereof in a book to be kept by him for that purpose, and pay the same quarterly unto the treasurer of this state on oath or affirmation under the penalty of one thousand pounds for each and every such neglect or refusal, to be recovered in any court of record by an action of debt at the suit of the commonwealth for the use and support of government.

Passed February 25, 1783. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 44, etc. Repealed by the Act of Assembly passed September 17, 1785, Chapter 1185.

CHAPTER MVI.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND CONFIRM THE ESTATE OF JOHN MORRIS, OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EASTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF CHESTER, IN FIFTY ACRES OF LAND IN WEST WHITELAND TOWNSHIP, IN THE SAID COUNTY.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas John Morris of the township of Eastown, in the county of Chester, by his petition hath represented to the general assembly of this commonwealth that he is seized and possessed of one hundred and fifty acres of land, situate, lying and being in West Whiteland township, in the said county, bounded on the north by land late of John Jacobs, esquire, on the east by land of John Outhbert, on the south by land of Richard Thomas, and on the west by lands of Morris Zootzs, containing one hundred and fifty acres which same tract of land was once the property of David Howell, deceased, and seized and taken in execution by Jesse Maris, esquire, then high sheriff of the said county, for and on account of debts due and owing by the same David Howell, which same tract of land was in due form of law condemned for the discharge and payment of the executions and encumbrances thereon; and that the said high sheriff, by virtue of a venditioni exponas to him dihaving and claiming any estate of property or inheritance in

rected sold the same tract of land, after due notice of such sale being first made unto the said John Morris as the highest bidder thereat, and that the said Jesse Maris, esquire, by deed-poll bearing date the twenty-sixth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-one, and duly acknowledged, did convey the same tract of one hundred and fifty acres of land unto the said John Morris in fee and that a deed from John Cuthbert for part of the said tract of land, conveying the same tract unto the said David Howell in fee was lost by a fire in the house of the same John Cuthbert, or has shared the fate of certain papers belonging to a certain Samuel Phipps, which were supposed to be stolen from him; which same tract, part of the one hundred and fifty acres above described, is bounded as follows: beginning at a marked white oak by the east of Uchland road; thence south, seventy-three degrees west, forty-eight perches to a post; thence north north-west, by land formerly of David Howell, one hundred and forty-one perches to a post; thence east, by John Cuthbert's land, eighty-two perches to a post; thence by the said road south twelve degrees east, forty-eight perches to a post; thence south forty-eight perches to a post; thence south, twelve degrees east, twenty perches to the place of beginning; containing fifty acres. And the said John Morris hath by his petition further represented that other writings necessary to complete his title to the said fifty acres were also destroyed as aforesaid; he therefore prayed the general assembly of this commonwealth to give their aid for the securing and establishing the same tract of fifty acres of land unto the same John Morris in fee.

(Section II, P. L.) And whereas the same John Morris hath complied with the directions of the general assembly by giving public notice of his said application in the newspapers of the city of Philadelphia.

[Section I.] (Section III, 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 the said tract of fifty acres of land, in the township of West Whiteland, in the said county, bounded and described as aforesaid, with the heredita-

ments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, are and shall be vested in the said John Morris and his heirs and assigns forever; and that the said John Morris and his heirs do now stand seized, and after the publication of this act shall stand seized of the said fifty acres of land with the hereditaments and appurtenances aforesaid thereunto belonging, to and for the only use, benefit and behoof of the same John Morris, and his heirs, and assigns forever; subject to such quit rents and other rents, estates and encumbrances, as are or may be legally charged on the same or any part or parcel thereof; and that all persons having and claiming any estate of property or inheritance in the same premises or in any part or parcel thereof shall, within the space of one year from the publication of this act, make their claim by bringing an ejectment against the said John Morris, his heirs or assigns, or the tenants or occupiers of the said fifty acres, from all future claims otherwise they shall be excluded and forever debarred, except feme covert, persons under age, imprisoned, or beyond sea, who shall make their claims within one year after their said incapacities shall be removed, or otherwise they shall be debarred as aforesaid.

Passed February 25, 1783. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 45, etc.

CHAPTER MVII.

AN ACT FOR THE SALE OF CERTAIN LANDS THEREIN MENTIONED FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDEEMING AND PAYING OFF THE CERTIFICATES OF DEPRECIATION GIVEN TO THE OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LINE, OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, AND FOR APPROPRIATING CERTAIN OTHER LANDS THEREIN MENTIONED FOR THE USE OF THE SAID OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS TO BE DIVIDED OFF TO THEM SEVERALLY AT THE END OF THE WAR.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas it was enacted by a law of this commonwealth passed the eighteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty, entitled "An act to settle and adjust the accounts of the troops