

county of Fayette, shall at all times hereafter have and enjoy all and singular the jurisdictions, powers, rights, liberties and privileges whatsoever, which the inhabitants of Fayette county, or that the inhabitants of any other county within this state, do, may or ought to enjoy by any charter of privilegès, or the laws of this state; or by any other ways and means whatsoever.

Passed February 17, 1784. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 223, etc.

CHAPTER MLXIX.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND CONFIRM THE TITLE OF RICHARD GARDINER IN A CERTAIN LOT AND TENEMENT THEREON ERECTED, AND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas Richard Gardiner of the city of Philadelphia, yeoman, hath represented by his petition to this general assembly, that his title to a certain lot with a tenement thereon erected, situated on the west side of Front street between Sassafras and Vine streets, in the said city, containing in breadth on the said Front street fifteen feet, and in length or depth two hundred and thirteen feet, bounded eastward with Front street aforesaid, southward with a messuage and lot late of William Fisher, deceased, westward with the lot late of Joshua Tittery, deceased, and northward with the messuage and ground late of Messieurs White and Taylor; is rendered defective, by the loss of one certain deed of conveyance for the same, from Pheobe Hawkins, widow and administratrix of William Hawkins, formerly of the said city, deceased, unto Sarah Gardiner, the grandmother of the petitioner; the loss of which said deed hath been made appear to a committee of this house appointed to hear the case of the petitioner:

(Section II, P. L.) And whereas, agreeable to the report of the said committee, and in compliance with the order of this house, made the tenth day of November, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, the said Richard Gardiner hath given full notice of his application to this house, in the premises:

[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 house and lot of ground bounded as aforesaid with the hereditaments and appurtenances aforesaid, are and shall be vested in the said Richard Gardiner his heirs and assigns and that the said Richard Gardiner and his heirs no wdo stand and from the publication of this act shall stand seized of the said premises and of every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances to and for the only proper use and behoof of the said Richard Gardiner has been and assigns forever, as effectually in law and equity to all intents and purposes as if the said deed from the said Phoebe Hawkins to the said Sarah Gardiner had not been lost; and that the title of the said Richard Gardiner to the said house and lot shall not be anywise prejudiced, or impeached in any court of law or equity, for or by reason of the loss of the said deed, or for want of producing the same; subject nevertheless, to such quit-rents, estates and encumbrances, as are, or may be legally charged on the same, or any part or parcel thereof.

Passed March 11, 1784. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 234, etc.

CHAPTER MLXX.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND CONFIRM THE ESTATE OF HENRY GURNEY IN CERTAIN MESSUAGES, TENEMENTS AND LOTS OF LAND, SITUATED AND BEING WITHIN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas Henry Gurney of the Northern Liberties of the city of Philadelphia, did, at the time the British troops were approaching the city of Philadelphia, bury in the ground a trunk containing his title deeds and other valuable writings for their safety, which not being sufficiently secured from dampness and moisture, the following deeds relating to the titles of estates belonging to and in the possession of