

of Cumberland, should have power and authority to erect, build and maintain a mill dam near the mouth of Sheerman's creek in the said county of Cumberland, agreeable to the laws and regulations of an act of the late province of Pennsylvania, passed the twenty-sixth day of February one thousand seven hundred and seventy-three, entitled "An act for preserving the navigation in Sheerman's creek in the county of Cumberland, and to prevent the destruction of fish in the same,"¹ which same act extends the privilege to those dams then erected or built on said creek:

And whereas a committee of this house were appointed to inquire into the merits of the prayer of the said petition, who have reported in favor of the same:

[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 the same Marcus Hulings and his heirs and assigns shall have full power and authority to build, erect and maintain the same dam so prayed for agreeable to the rules and regulations of the said act, they and each of them to be subject to the pains and penalties of the said act for the breach of same, any law, usage or custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Passed September 15, 1784. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 369, etc.

CHAPTER MCXI.

AN ACT FOR THE MORE SPEEDY RESTORING THE POSSESSION OF CERTAIN MESSUAGES, LANDS AND TENEMENTS IN NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY TO THE PERSONS WHO LATELY HELD THE SAME.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas several persons at or near Wyoming in the county of Northumberland were in the month of May last violently dispossessed of the messuages, lands and tenements which they then occupied and which are still detained

¹ Passed February 26, 1773, Chapter 674.

from them by force, and the peculiar circumstances of these cases require that the possession of the premises so forcibly entered and detained should be without delay restored to the persons who occupied them as aforesaid:

[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 it shall and may be lawful for the president and the supreme executive council to direct the justices of the peace in and for the county of Northumberland to proceed forthwith in executing the laws relating to forcible entries and detainers; and that their proceedings therein, or the writ of restitution, thereupon or the effect thereof, in the cases before mentioned, shall not be in any manner superceded, impeded or delayed by writ of certiorari, or other writ issued by the supreme court or any judge thereof, or by any other court whatever.

[Section II.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That this act shall continue in force until the end of the next session of the general assembly and no longer.

Passed September 15, 1784. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 348, etc.

CHAPTER MCXII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PREVENT THE EXPORTATION OF BREAD AND FLOUR NOT MERCHANTABLE." ¹

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas the acts for the inspection of flour and other staple articles of this state, have been found by experience to be highly beneficial by establishing a fair reputation at foreign markets, and thereby increasing the demand for our commodities: And whereas superfine flour has latterly become a

¹ Passed April 5, 1781, Chapter 936.