

CHAPTER MCCXIII.

A SUPPLEMENT TO AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT FOR VESTING IN THE AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY HELD AT PHILADELPHIA FOR THE PROMOTING USEFUL KNOWLEDGE A CERTAIN LOT OF GROUND, BEING PART OF THE STATE HOUSE SQUARE."¹

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas by an act of general assembly of this commonwealth passed on the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, a certain lot or piece of ground therein described was given and granted to and vested in the American Philosophical Society, held at Philadelphia, for promoting Useful Knowledge, for the purposes and under the restrictions mentioned in the said act:

And whereas the said society did proceed to the occupation and improvement of the said lot of ground, but from the tenor of the last section of the aforesaid law, the said society apprehend themselves restricted from making that improvement and advantage thereof which appears reasonable and therefore petitioned this present house of assembly to remedy the defects and inconveniences to which they are subjected in and by the act aforesaid by vesting them with power to let or lease certain parts of the building to be by them erected on the lot aforesaid:

And whereas the prayer of the said petitioners appears to this house to be founded in reason.

[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 American Philosophical Society held at Philadelphia for promoting of Useful Knowledge, shall be and they are hereby vested with full and sufficient power and authority to let or lease out such vaults or cellars as they may think proper to make under the building to be by them erected on the lot aforesaid, and shall have like power and authority to let or lease any other parts of said build-

¹ Passed March 28, 1785. Chapter 1147.

ing for such purposes as may have affinity with the design of their institution, and for no other.

Provided, That the issues or profits arising from such parts of the building shall be applied to the purposes for which the said society was originally instituted, and to no other, anything in the act to which this is a supplement to the contrary notwithstanding.

Passed March 17, 1786. Recorded L. B. No. 3, p. 92, etc.
Chapter 1214.

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AN ACT FOR REPEALING SO MUCH OF A LAW PASSED IN DECEMBER ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FOR RAISING THE SUM OF NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FORTY POUNDS TEN SHILLINGS ANNUALLY FOR SIX YEARS AS RELATES TO THE PAYMENTS OF THE LAST FOUR ANNUAL TAXES THEREIN DIRECTED TO BE LAID.

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas in and by an act passed the nineteenth day of December, one thousand seven hundred and eighty, entitled "An act for funding and redeeming the bills of credit of the United States of America and for providing means to bring the present war to a happy conclusion,"¹ it was directed and provided that the sum of ninety-three thousand six hundred and forty pounds ten shillings should be annually raised, levied and paid for six succeeding years for the purpose of redeeming the bills of credit emitted in consequence of the resolution of congress of the eighteenth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty:

And whereas no more than two yearly requisitions thereof have been paid throughout the state:

And whereas the redemption of the said bills emitted on the faith of this state is fully provided for by the taxes heretofore laid and the other means already provided:

¹ Chapter 921.