

receipts of the said Margaret notwithstanding her coverture or whether she be covert or sole shall be a sufficient discharge, nor shall any assignment, release, acquaintance, discharge or incumbrance whatsoever of the said Frederick Smith at all or in any manner affect the same: And provided also, That if the said Margaret Smith should survive her said husband, the whole or the said rent charge shall survive and accrue to her the said Margaret during her life, any debts, encumbrances, charges, judgments, executions, liens or other acts in deed or in law by the said Frederick Smith and Margaret his wife jointly or by either of them separately has made, done or suffered of or concerning the said rent charge or otherwise howsoever in any wise notwithstanding. And provided also, that if the said Margaret Smith should naturally die in the life time of her said husband, that he the said Frederick Smith shall be entitled to have and receive one equal moiety of the said rent charge during all the term of his natural life, and the other equal moiety thereof shall go to such person or persons in such shares and proportions during the continuance of the natural life of the said Frederick Smith as she the said Margaret Smith or by any writing by her made in the nature of a will shall order, direct or appoint, which writing shall have the same force and effect in disposing of her said moiety of the said rent charge as if she were sole and unmarried, and for want of such disposition by her to be made, the said moiety shall survive and accrue to the said Frederick Smith and his assigns during all the time of his survivorship.

Passed September 25, 1786. Recorded L. B. No. 3, p. 149, etc.

CHAPTER MCCLIII.

AN ACT TO APPOINT A REPRESENTATION FOR THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA AND THE SEVERAL COUNTIES IN THIS COMMONWEALTH IN PROPORTION TO THE NUMBER OF TAXABLE INHABITANTS IN EACH FOR THE ENSUING SEVEN YEARS.

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas by the seventeenth section of the constitution of this commonwealth it is declared that as repre-

sentation in proportion to the number of taxable inhabitants is the only principle which can at all times secure equal liberty, and make the voice of a majority of the people the law of the land, therefore the general assembly shall cause complete lists of the taxable inhabitants in the city and each county in the commonwealth respectively, to be taken and returned to them septennially, and shall appoint a representation to each in proportion to the number of taxables in such returns:

And whereas an act of assembly was passed on the third day of March last to ascertain the number of taxable inhabitants, within the city of Philadelphia, and within each of the counties within this commonwealth, in pursuance of which returns from the said city and several counties containing the number of taxable inhabitants within each have been made to this assembly.

In compliance, therefore, with the directions of the said constitution:

(Section II. P. L.) Be it 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 freemen of the city of Philadelphia and of each of the counties within this commonwealth respectively who are or shall be qualified to vote for representatives by the laws thereof for the time being shall on the second Tuesday in October next and on the second Tuesday of each of the next six succeeding years and in the manner and form directed by the said laws choose the number of persons hereafter respectively mentioned to represent them in general assembly for each of the said seven years, that is to say;

- Five for the city of Philadelphia,
- Five for the county of Philadelphia,
- Four for the county of Bucks,
- Six for the county of Chester,
- Six for the county of Lancaster,
- Six for the county of York,
- Four for the county of Cumberland,
- Five for the county of Berks,
- Four for the county of Northampton,

Three for the county of Bedford,
 Two for the county of Northumberland,
 Three for the county of Westmoreland,
 Four for the county of Washington,
 Two for the county of Fayette,
 Two for the county of Franklin,
 Four for the county of Montgomery,
 Three for the county of Dauphin,
 And one for the county of Luzerne.

Which persons so chosen from time to time shall be the general assembly of representatives of the freemen of Pennsylvania and shall have all and every the powers thereof for and during each of the said seven years respectively, according to the directions and the true intent and meaning of the said constitution and of the laws which are or shall be made in pursuance thereof.

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CHAPTER MCOLIV.

AN ACT TO REPEAL SO MUCH OF THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE AND PROTECT THE MANUFACTURES OF THIS STATE BY LAYING ADDITIONAL DUTIES ON THE IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN MANUFACTURES WHICH INTERFERE WITH THEM,"¹ AS LAYS AN ADDITIONAL DUTY ON WINES AND FRUIT THE GROWTH OR PRODUCT OF THE KINGDOM OF PORTUGAL.

(Section I. P. L.) Whereas the additional duties of one shilling for every gallon of wine, five shillings for very box of lemons and seven shillings and six pence upon every hundred weight of raisins or other fruit, the said wine or fruit being of the growth of the kingdom of Portugal, or of the territories thereunto belonging, imposed by an act of the general assembly of this state, entitled "An act to encourage and protect the manufactures of this state by laying additional duties on the importation of certain manufactures which interfere with them," have been found burdensome to the commerce of this state without producing the goods effects intended thereby.