

by the authority of the same, That the said Margaret Keith be, and she is hereby empowered to take out a patent for the said one hundred and ninety acres and a half of land, be the same more or less, she paying the purchase money, and the office fees for the same; and likewise shall have power to sell the same, or any part thereof, and make and execute a sufficient deed or deeds to the purchaser, or purchasers; which deed or deeds shall be as effectual and available in law, as if the said Charles M'Haffey had done the same in his lifetime, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

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## CHAPTER MMCDLXXII.

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### AN ACT TO REGULATE THE ADMINISTERING OF CERTAIN OATHS.

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That when either branch of the legislature shall have made choice of a speaker, the oaths or affirmations prescribed in the constitution of this commonwealth, and the constitution of the United States, shall be administered to the speaker elect, by a member appointed for that purpose, by a majority of the members present, and the speaker so sworn or affirmed, shall administer the oaths or affirmations to the members elect and officers respectively.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That when the senate shall sit for the purpose of trying any impeachment, the speaker shall be sworn or affirmed by a member selected by the senate for that purpose, by a majority of the members present. The speaker so qualified shall then administer the oath or affirmation to the members respectively, and the speaker of each house is hereby empowered to administer oaths or affirmations to witnesses or other persons whom it may be necessary to examine before the house whereof he is speaker; and the chair-

man of every committee shall have like powers in examinations before committees.

Section III. (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That when the governor elect is to be sworn into office, the necessary oaths or affirmations shall be administered to him by the speaker of the senate, or by the speaker of the house of representatives.

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### CHAPTER MMCDLXXIII.

#### AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF PETER KEPLINGER.

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby granted to Peter Keplinger, to be paid to him or his lawful attorney, immediately after the passing of this act, and an annuity of fifty dollars during his natural life, to be paid from the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and four, half yearly to him or his lawful attorney, not interested therein, on warrants drawn by the governor on the state treasurer, out of any unappropriated monies in the treasury.

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### CHAPTER MMCDLXXIV.

#### AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SELECT AND COMMON COUNCILS OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA TO ERECT MARKET HOUSES IN THE SAID CITY.

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the first