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CHAPTER MMDCCCXVI.

AN ACT FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE POWDER MAGAZINE FROM THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA.

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 John Dunlap, Thomas Leiper, Matthew Shaw, Stephen Decatur, and John Singer or any three of them, be, and they are hereby appointed on behalf of the commonwealth, to make sale of the powder magazine and buildings belonging thereto, with the lot or square on which they are elected; and are hereby authorized to convey the same, reserving the use and possession thereof, until a magazine or magazines shall be erected, to which the powder may be removed, agreeably to the provisions hereinafter mentioned; and out of the money arising from said sale, or as much thereof as may be thought necessary, shall purchase one or more lots of ground; and cause to be erected thereon, two or more magazines and other necessary buildings for the deposit and safe-keeping of gun powder; constructed in such manner as shall render them most secure against accidents by fire; and shall pay any money that may remain, into the state treasury, first deducting a reasonable compensation for the attendance of the commissioners; and the said commissioners may, if they deem it necessary, erect a magazine to accommodate the traders of the city for the purpose of supplying the daily demands of customers; which shall not be less than one mile from Philadelphia, and shall not be of capacity to contain more than ten tons of powder; and shall erect one or more magazines to store or deposit powder in large quantities, which shall not be less than four miles from the city, reserving to the state right at all times to deposit any powder belonging to the public therein.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That as soon as the said maga-

zine or magazines shall be completed, it shall be the duty of the superintendent or keeper of the magazine, to cause all the powder at that time deposited in the present magazine, to be removed therefrom at the expense of the owners of the powder to the magazine or magazines hereby directed to be built; and all gun powder thereafter manufactured in the county of Philadelphia, or imported or brought into the same, shall be deposited and kept in the said new magazine or magazines, under and subject to all the regulations and penalties now in force, with regard to the inspection and deposit of gun powder in the present magazine.⁽¹⁾

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CHAPTER MMDCCCXVII.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT TO THE PENAL LAWS OF THIS STATE. (1)

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 instead of two years imprisonment, to which the power of the courts of this commonwealth is limited, in, and by the fourth section of an act entitled "An act to reform the penal laws of this state," the said courts respectively shall hereafter be invested with the power of extending the confinement in such cases, to a period not exceeding seven years in their discretion, according to the circumstance of the case before them: Provided, always, that the power thus conferred on the said courts shall not extend to offenses enumerated in the said section, of bigamy, or of being an accessary after the fact in any felony, or of receiving stolen goods, knowing them to have been stolen.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That any person convicted in any county in this state, other than the county of Philadelphia, of any of the offenses alluded to in the foregoing section, for