

## CHAPTER MMDCCCXXXVI.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT ENTITLED, "AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF  
AND SUPPORT OF INSOLVENT DEBTORS." (1)

Whereas it appears to the legislature, that the existing law for the relief and support of insolvent debtors, is defective; there being no effectual provision therein to compensate jailers for the maintenance of such debtors while in confinement: For remedy whereof,

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 where any person confined for debt in any jail of this commonwealth, shall assign his or her property for the benefit of his or her creditors, the fees and charges of maintenance due the jailer at the time of the discharge of said debtor, (being approved by the court) shall have the priority, and be paid out of the property so assigned, previous to any distribution of the same.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall be the duty of the several courts of common pleas in this commonwealth, at their first term in each and every year, to fix and order a daily allowance for all such poor and insolvent debtors, as shall or may be confined in the prison of their respective county during the year, and have not property to support themselves; and it shall be the duty of the plaintiff or plaintiffs at whose suit any such debtor may be imprisoned, his or their agent or attorney, upon notice to him or them given by the keeper of the prison, to pay the said daily allowance at the prison on every Monday morning while the debtor continues in prison; on failure whereof, for the space of three days, the said debtor may apply to the court of common pleas if it be in session, or if not then to a judge of the same court, who upon enquiry and finding the said debtor to be destitute of property for his sup-

port in prison, and failure of payment to have been made as aforesaid, shall forthwith discharge the said debtor from his imprisonment: Provided always, that the said daily allowance shall not exceed the sum of fourteen cents.

Section III. (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That so much of any law of this state as is hereby altered or supplied, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

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Note (1) Chapter 315; 4 Statutes at Large p. 171.

Note (1) In the act in the text the title quotes incompletely the title of the act supplemented. The title of the act supplemented reads "An act for the relief of insolvent debtors within the Province of Pennsylvania," passed February 14, 1729; 4 Statutes at Large p. 171.

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## CHAPTER MMDCCCXXXVII.

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AN ACT TO ENABLE THE GOVERNOR TO INCORPORATE A COMPANY, TO MAKE AN ARTIFICIAL ROAD FROM THE COURT HOUSE IN THE BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG, THROUGH PETERSBURG, TO THE MARYLAND LINE NEAR BIDDLE'S MILL.

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 James M'Sherry, John Shorp, Jacob Winterott, James Gettys, Alexander Cobean and Henry Hoke, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned; that is to say, they shall, on or before the first day of November next, procure two books, and in each of them enter as follows, "We whose names are hereunto subscribed do promise to pay the president, managers and company, of the Gettysburg and Petersburg turnpike road, the sum of one hundred dollars for every share of stock in the said company set opposite our respective names, in such manner and proportion as shall be determined by the said president and man-