

to declare and make the bridge free. 6. If the bridge is not kept in repair, upon inquisition, before a Justice, &c. the tolls shall cease until the bridge be repaired.] 1800.

Passed 15th March, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 165.

CHAPTER MMCXXX.

An ACT vesting one of the city lots therein mentioned, in trustees for the use of the fourth Presbyterian church, in the city of Philadelphia.

SECT. 1. [A LOT vested in the fourth Presbyterian church, for a church and burying ground.]

Passed 15th March, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 180.

CHAPTER MMCXXXII.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act vesting certain powers in the Judges of the Supreme Court.

SECT. I. *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 if the city of Philadelphia should at any time hereafter be afflicted by any infectious or contagious fever, the Judges of the Supreme Court, or any two of them, be, and they are hereby authorized, to hold the terms in any convenient place, in any county in the state, for the purpose of hearing law arguments, and receiving the returns of the different Sheriffs, and deciding on mere legal questions.*

The supreme court may be held in any county, if the city of Philadelphia is afflicted with a contagious fever.

Passed 15th March, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 187.

CHAPTER MMCXXXIII.

A further SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled "An Act to prevent the exportation of bread and flour not merchantable, and for repealing at a certain time, all the laws heretofore made for that purpose."

(Vol. 1, pa. 523, vol. 2, pa. 11-270.)

WHEREAS flour made of rye and Indian corn, having become considerable articles of exportation, it is necessary to subject them to inspection, in order to establish their reputation abroad: Therefore,

SECT. I. *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 day of September next, all flour made of rye or Indian corn, which shall be brought to any port or place within this state for exportation, shall be packed in casks made of good seasoned materials of the like dimensions, and hooped, nailed*

Rye flour and Indian corn how to be packed;

1800.

and branded, with the brand of the miller or bolter, and with the number of the cask, and with the weight of the flour therein, in like manner as in and by the above recited act, and the several supplements thereto, is directed (except as to the casks number one, mentioned in the above recited act to which this is a supplement) and under the like penalties and forfeitures as are therein specified, as to the flour called merchantable; and moreover each cask shall have the tare or weight of the cask marked on it, and shall be branded with the words "rye flour," or "kilm-dried corn meal," at length, as the contents may be, in a fair and distinguishable manner, before it leaves the mill or bolting-house where the same shall have been first packed. And that from and after said first day of September next, no merchant or other person whatsoever shall lade or ship any flour made of rye or Indian corn, on board any ship or vessel for exportation out of this state, before the same shall be offered to the view and examination of the inspectors of the port or place from whence the same shall be intended to be exported, and before the same shall be inspected, approved and adjudged, by the said inspector or one of his deputies (or the three persons to be appointed by one of the magistrates, in the manner by the said recited act directed, as to merchantable flour) to be of a due degree of fineness, and of a quality fit to be exported as merchantable; and the said inspector or his deputy, shall try and search the same, and plug up the holes he shall make, in the same manner, and shall receive the same reward, as by the said act is directed concerning merchantable flour.

marked and
branded.

How to be
inspected
before ex-
portation.

Proceedings
if rye flour
or Indian
corn be con-
demned.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if the inspector or his deputies, or the three persons to be appointed by a magistrate as aforesaid, shall adjudge and determine that any such flour of rye or Indian corn, so to be branded, shall not be of due fineness, and of a quality in all respects fit to be exported as merchantable, he or they shall cause the said words "rye flour," or "kilm-dried corn meal," so branded, to be scratched out and obliterated, and the person or persons offering or intending the same for sale or exportation, shall pay for the inspection thereof, the same reward as if the same had been adjudged to be fit for exportation.

Rye and In-
dian corn
may be pack-
ed in hogs-
heads.

SECT. III. And whereas, the packing of flour made of rye or Indian corn, in casks of larger dimensions than are warranted by the said recited act or its supplements, has been practised and found to be beneficial to the exporters: *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for millers and bolters, to pack any flour of rye or Indian corn, in strong tight hogsheads, to be well made of good seasoned white oak, and to be bound and tightened with sixteen good and sufficient hoops, to be well secured with not less than four nails in each chine hoop, and three wooden plugs or pegs at the upper edge of each upper bilge hoop, and to be of the following dimensions, viz. the staves to be of the length of forty-one inches, and the diameter of the head to be twenty-seven inches, and the diameter at the bung or bilge to be thirty-one inches, to contain eight hundred pounds neat weight, having the tare or weight of the cask marked on it, and branded be-

Materials,
dimensions
and marks
of the hogs-
head.

fore it leaves the mill, bolting-house, or place where the same shall have been packed, as herein before directed, with the addition of number 1. 800, such miller and bolter complying with all and every the directions of the said recited acts of Assembly, as to the casks number 2, 3, and 4 therein mentioned, and of this act, and subject to the same regulations, fines, forfeitures and penalties; and the said inspector or his deputy, shall be entitled to demand and receive for the inspection of each and every such cask, branded number 1. 800, as aforesaid, from the person or persons offering the same for inspection, the sum of three cents, and no more.

1800.

Fee for inspection.

SECT. IV. And whereas, rye flour of superior quality, has become an article of considerable demand for exportation, and will command an advanced price: *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That any miller or bolter may, in addition to the words "rye flour," heretofore directed, brand each and every cask containing flour of rye, with the word "fine" before it leaves the mill or bolting-house where the same shall have been first packed; and before it shall be shipped or laden on board any ship or vessel for exportation out of this state, it shall be offered to the view and examination of the inspector, or one of his deputies, who shall try and search the same, as herein before directed, and if the said inspector, or his deputy, shall judge the same to be of sufficient fineness and quality in all respects to be exported as rye flour "fine," he shall plug up the holes he shall make, in the same manner as is herein before directed; but if the said inspector or his deputy, shall adjudge any such flour of rye, having thereon the brand of "fine," to be inferior to the standard quality which shall entitle it to be shipped and exported as "fine," he shall be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to scratch out and obliterate the word "fine," from such brand-mark: *Provided also,* That if any dispute shall arise between the inspector and the owner or possessor of such flour, concerning the fitness thereof to pass as "fine," such owner or possessor may have the same tried and determined in such manner and form, as is directed by the act to which this act is a supplement, for settling disputes concerning the quality of flour therein mentioned.

Rye flour, branded "fine," and to be inspected as such.

Disputes on inspection, how to be settled.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all and every the regulations, fines, penalties and forfeitures, in and by the said first recited act, and the several supplements thereto, and by this act made, imposed and inflicted on any person or persons who should or shall grind, bolt, make casks for, pack, brand after the same shall have left the mill or bolting-house, transport, export or otherwise have any thing to do with common or superfine flour, and who should or shall offend against the said recited act, or the supplement thereto, or against this act, shall, from and after the said first day of September next, extend and be construed to extend to such persons and offences as to flour made of rye or Indian corn, as fully and effectually as if the articles "rye flour" and "kilm-dried corn meal" was inserted with flour in the said acts, or as if the said regulations, fines, penalties and forfeitures were herein repeated.

OF fines, penalties and forfeitures.

SECT. VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all and singular the fines, forfeitures and penalties, imposed

Fines and how to be

1800. and directed to be levied by this act, may be sued for and recovered by the said inspector, or his deputies, in like manner as other debts of the like amount may or can be sued for, and be recovered by the laws of this commonwealth, together with costs of suit, and shall be applied in like manner as is directed by the act to which this is a supplement.

recovered
and applied.

Passed 15th March, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 172.

CHAPTER MMCXXXVI.

An ACT to authorize the Governor to appoint commissioners to sell the house intended for the accommodation of the President of the United States, and the lots adjacent thereto.

SECT. I. *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 Governor be, and he is hereby authorized to appoint three persons, who shall be commissioners to sell the house intended for the accommodation of the President of the United States, and also the lots of ground adjoining thereto, in the city of Philadelphia, now the property of this commonwealth.*

Commissioners to be appointed to sell the President's house and lots.

How the premises shall be divided.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That previous to the said house and lots, or any of them, being offered for sale by the said commissioners, they shall divide the same in the manner following, that is to say; That part of the said lots which fronts on Market-street, shall be divided into six lots, four of which shall be twenty-five feet each in front on said street, and the easternmost of the remaining two shall be twenty-six feet four inches and a half in front, on the said street, and the westernmost twenty-six feet four inches and a half, more or less; and all and every of the said lots shall extend one hundred and twenty-five feet south from Market-street, and no more; that part of the said lot which fronts on Chesnut-street, shall be divided in the like manner, excepting only that each and every of the lots into which the same shall be so divided, shall extend one hundred and thirty feet northwardly from the said Chesnut-street, and no more.*

A plan and ground plot to be made; thirty days notice of the sale to be given.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said commissioners shall, without delay, as soon as they shall have divided the said lots in the manner above mentioned, cause a plan thereof, and also the ground-plot of the house intended for the accommodation of the President of the United States, and the ground immediately contiguous thereto and not particularly described in the last section, or included in the lots therein mentioned, to be made; and shall dispose of the said house and ground and lots, without delay, by public sale, giving at least thirty days notice of the intended sale, in two or more newspapers, printed in the city of Philadelphia: *Provided, That at least one third part of the purchase-money of the said house and ground, and of the said lots, shall be paid before any title is made for the same, or any part there-**

Terms of payment.