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such places before mentioned, not already appropriated by law or reserved by the commonwealth, nor before located and surveyed by or for private persons, as shall amount to the said quantity of five thousand acres, and the usual allowance and no more; and that the surveyor-general shall receive and enter all such warrants in his office, and issue copies thereof directed to his deputies in the different counties and districts within the commonwealth, and the said deputies shall execute the same, and make returns thereof, and thereupon such proceedings shall be had, and patents, or grants of confirmation for the same, shall be granted and issued to the directors of said society, in the same manner and form, having the like force and effect, as the like proceedings and patents have been and are conducted and granted, in case of private persons making applications for and taking up lands under the laws of this commonwealth, in such case made and provided.

[Section III.] (Section III. P. L.) Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all and every the tract and tracts of land hereby directed to be surveyed, for the use of said society, shall be so done at the charge of this commonwealth, and the governor is hereby authorized and empowered to draw warrants on the state treasurer, to pay and defray all the charges arising thereon.

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## CHAPTER MDLVIII.

Whereas it hath been represented by the freeholders and inhabitants of the township of Moyamensing, in the county of Philadelphia, that they are subjected to very heavy taxes for

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the support of the poor, in common with the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and township of the Northern Liberties, by reason of the number of paupers coming to the city of Philadelphia by land and water, and thereby gaining a residence therein, far more then they in justice ought to pay, and praying they may be separated therefrom, and authorized to support their own poor within their township; and whereas their request appears to be just and reasonable:

[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 so much of the act, entitled "An act for the better employment of the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, the townships of Moyamensing, Passyunk and Northern Liberties," (1) passed the eighth day of February, one thousand seven hundred and sixtysix, as incorporates the township of Moyamensing with the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark, and the townships of Passyunk and Northern Liberties, is hereby repealed, and Provided always, That nothing in this act made null and void. contained shall be so construed, as to prevent the recovery of the poor tax assessed for the present year, or the arrears of any tax or taxes, which have been assessed by the existing laws of this commonwealth on the said township of Moyamensing, but that the same shall and may be collected and received under the same laws, in as full and ample a manner as if the present act had never been passed, and that the taxes and arrears of taxes, when received, shall be appropriated, under the act aforesaid, passed February the eighth, one thousand seven hundred and sixty-six.

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