

CHAPTER MDCLXXXII.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PERSONS TO SELL AND CONVEY
THE LOT OF GROUND THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas in and by an act of the general assembly of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act for vesting certain city lots therein mentioned in trustees for a burial ground for the use of the religious society of Free Quakers, in the city of Philadelphia,"¹ passed on the twenty-sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six, of the city lots, situate contiguous to each other on the west side of the Fifth street from Delaware River, in the square between Walnut street and Spruce street in the the city of Philadelphia, containing altogether in breadth on the said Fifth street one hundred and seventy-six feet, and in length or depth one hundred and ninety-eight feet and [and] an half, bounded northward by lot number forty-two, sold to John Taylor, eastward by Fifth street aforesaid, and westward by the back ends of Sixth street lots, with their appurtenances, were and are vested in Christopher Marshall, Joseph Stiles, Nathaniel Brown, Isaac Howell, Peter Thomson, Benjamin Say and Joseph Warner, members of the said religious society and the survivor and survivors of them, and the heirs and assigns of such survivor forever in trust, for a burial ground for the use of the religious society of friends distinguished and known by the name of Free Quakers, in the city of Philadelphia:

And whereas the said religious society of friends, called Free Quakers, in the city of Philadelphia, have represented to the general assembly that the expenses incurred in erecting a meeting house for worship has exceeded the sum which they have been able to raise for that purpose, whereby they have been under the necessity of borrowing upon interest the sum of five hundred pounds, the principal whereof is now demanded of

¹Chapter 1231.

them, which it is extremely difficult, if at all practicable, for them to pay by any other means than by the sale of a part of the aforesaid described lots of ground assigned to them for a burial ground, and have prayed that a law may be passed to enable them to sell and convey a certain part of the said ground for the purpose of discharging the debt remaining unpaid for the building of their said meeting house: Therefore:

[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 Christopher Marshall, Joseph Stiles, Nathaniel Brown, Isaac Howell, Peter Thompson, Benjamin Say and Joseph Warner, and the survivors and survivor of them, and the heirs and assigns of the survivor of them, or a majority of them, shall be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and required to grant, bargain, sell and convey in fee simple, unto any person or persons, all or any part or parts of a certain lot of ground, being part of the ground granted as a burial ground for the use of the religious society of Free Quakers, in the city of Philadelphia, by an act of general assembly passed on the twenty-sixth day of August, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, entitled "An act for vesting certain city lots therein mentioned in trustees for a burial ground for the use of the religious society of Free Quakers, in the city of Philadelphia,"² situate on the west side of the Fifth street, from Delaware river, in the square between Walnut street and Spruce street, in the city of Philadelphia, containing in breadth on the said Fifth street sixty feet, and in length or depth ninety feet, bounded northward by ground now or late of John Taylor, eastward by Fifth street aforesaid, and southward and westward by other parts of the said burial ground, together with the appurtenances, for such consideration or sum and sums of money as the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall think fit, by and with the approbation of the monthly meeting of the said religious society of friends distinguished and known by the name of Free Quakers, in the

²See Ante.

city of Philadelphia, to be certified by a minute or minutes of their said monthly meetings, signed by their clerk for the time being, anything in the aforesaid recited act of the general assembly to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding, and the moneys arising from the sale of said lots shall be applied to the payment and discharge of the debts incurred by the said society in erecting a meeting house for worship and to no other purpose whatsoever.

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CHAPTER MDCLXXXIII.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENUMERATION OF THE TAXABLE INHABITANTS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH.

Whereas it is ordained and established by the fourth section of the constitution of this commonwealth that “within three years after the first meeting of the general assembly, and within every subsequent term of seven years, an enumeration of the taxable inhabitants shall be made in such manner as shall be directed by law.”

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) Be it therefore 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 commissioners of the several counties of this commonwealth shall be and they are hereby authorized and required to cause the names and number of the taxable inhabitants actually residing within their respective counties to be carefully and accurately taken, for affecting of which purpose the said commissioners shall appoint an assistant for each ward, town, township or district within the city and their respective counties, which assistant shall have resided one year within the ward, town, township or district for which he shall be appointed. The said commissioners and their assistants shall respectively take an oath or affirmation before some judge or justice of the peace of their