

CHAPTER MDCCXCVI.

A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ACT, ENTITLED, "AN ACT TO EMPOWER THE WARDENS OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA TO EXTEND THE MARKET HOUSE IN HIGH STREET FROM THIRD STREET TO FOURTH STREET FROM DELAWARE RIVER, AND TO CONTINUE THE SAME, FROM TIME TO TIME, WESTWARDLY FROM ONE STREET TO ANOTHER, IN THE MIDDLE OF HIGH STREET, AS THE WARDENS OF THE SAID CITY SHALL THINK NECESSARY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED."¹

Whereas by an act of the general assembly passed the twenty-third day of March, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, it was enacted, that when the market house in the city of Philadelphia, in and by the said act directed to be built, should be finished and completed, one half of the said buildings should be and remain free for the country people attending the said market forever:

And whereas the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Philadelphia, by an ordinance made on the eighth day of June, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, [did] in pursuance of the views of the legislature, ordain that the western moiety of the said market house should be for the use of the inhabitants of the country, as provided for by the act of assembly above mentioned:

And whereas the intentions of the legislature appear likely to be frustrated by the intrusion of persons of a different description from those originally intended to be thus provided for:

[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 from and after the passing of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person whatsoever to sell any beef in the western moiety of the market house or shambles in High street, between Third street and Fourth street, in the city of Philadelphia, nor for any person exercising the trade of a butcher or victualler to occupy any stall, or sell any meat of

any kind, within the said western moiety of the market house or shambles aforesaid.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Philadelphia shall have power to make and enforce such by-laws, rules and ordinances, as may be found expedient for the purpose of carrying this act into execution, conformably to the true intent and meaning thereof.

[Section III.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Philadelphia, in common council assembled, be, and they are hereby, authorized to assess, levy and collect from the inhabitants of the said city, and upon all estates real and personal, and taxables within the same, such sum or sums of money as they may deem necessary to enable them to extend the market in High street, whenever they may think proper so to do, which taxes shall be levied and collected in the same manner as the city taxes are.

[Section IV.] (Section IV, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That when the market shall be so extended, the one half of the buildings erected shall be and remain free for the country people bringing the produce of their farms to market forever, and agreeably to what is directed by the first section of this act; and that no fees, tolls or perquisites be demanded or exacted from them for the use thereof.

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CHAPTER MDCCXCVII.

AN ACT TO ERECT THE TOWNSHIPS OF LACKAWANNA, EXETER AND PROVIDENCE, IN THE COUNTY OF LUZERNE, INTO A SEPARATE ELECTION DISTRICT.

[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