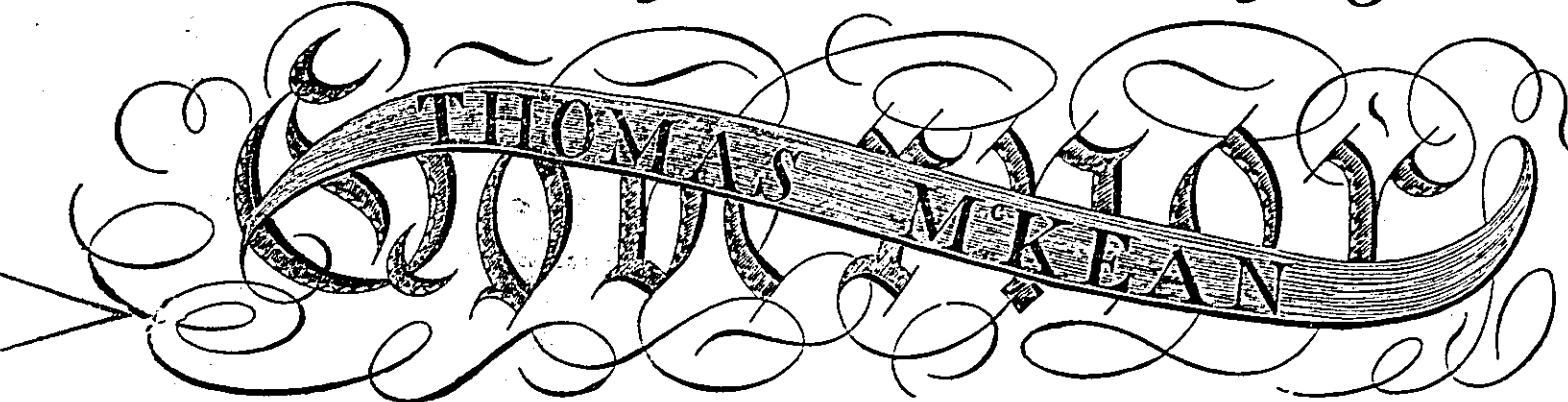


Pennsylvania, ss.

The 23d, A.D.

In the Name and by the Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,



of the said Commonwealth,

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:



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Now ye, That in consideration of the services rendered by John Shely <sup>privile</sup> — in the late Army of the United States and in the Pennsylvania Lines — there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto the said John Shely a certain Tract of land No. 235 called Fort Defiance situate in Donation District No. 2, in Butler County Beginning at a white Oak, thence by N<sup>E</sup> 24<sup>M</sup>, North one hundred thirty perches to a Hickory, thence by E 33<sup>M</sup> West two hundred sixty one perches to a white Oak, thence by N<sup>E</sup> 27<sup>M</sup>, South one hundred thirty perches to a white Oak, and thence by N<sup>E</sup> 23<sup>M</sup> East, two hundred sixty one perches to the Beginning, containing Two hundred Acres and Allowance of six p<sup>r</sup> Cent for roads &c. / Which said Tract was surveyed in pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly passed the 24<sup>th</sup> February 1785. /

To have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land, with the appurtenances, unto the said John Shely and — his Heirs to the use of him the said John Shely his Heirs and Assigns forever. —

free and clear of all restrictions and reservations as to Mines, Royalties, Quit-rents or otherwise, excepting and reserving only the fifth part of all Gold and Silver Ore for the use of this Commonwealth, to be delivered at the Pitt's mouth, clear of all charges. In Testimony whereof, I have set my Hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed to these Presents, at Lancaster — this twentythird day of February — in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three, and of the Commonwealth the twenty-ninth —

By the Governor,

James Trimble  
Deputy Secy.