

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the commissioners of the respective counties aforesaid, or a majority of them, be, and they are hereby authorized to contract with individuals for laying out, and opening so much of the aforesaid road, as shall be within the limits of their respective counties, and take such surety or sureties for the faithful performance of such contract, or contracts, as to a majority of them respectively shall appear necessary.

Commissioners of the respective counties to enter into contracts with individuals, &c. And take security for the due performance thereof.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the seventh day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seven.

THOMAS M'KEAN.

CHAPTER CIV.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act entitled, "*An act for the relief and support of Insolvent Debtors.*"

WHEREAS it appears to the legislature, that the existing law for the relief and support of insolvent debtors, is defective, there being no effectual provision therein, to compensate jailors for the maintenance of such debtors while in confinement: For remedy whereof,

Jailor to be first compensated for the maintenance of a debtor, before any distribution of his property takes place.

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 where any person confined for debt in any jail of this Commonwealth, shall assign his or her property for the benefit of his or her creditors, the fees and charges of maintenance due the jailor at the time of the discharge of said debtor, (being approved by the court) shall have the priority, and be paid out of the property so assigned, previous to any distribution of the same.

When the courts of common pleas are to fix and order the daily allowance of poor and insolvent debtors.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the several courts of common pleas in this Commonwealth, at their first term in each and every year, to fix and order a daily allowance for all such poor and insolvent debtors, as shall or may be confined in the prison of their respective county during the year, and have not property to support themselves; and it shall be the duty of the plaintiff or plaintiffs at whose suit any such debtor may be imprisoned, his or their agent or attorney, upon notice to him or them given by the keeper of the prison, to pay the said daily allowance at the prison on every Monday morning while the debtor continues in prison, on failure whereof, for the space of three days, the

Which allowance is to be paid by the plaintiff at whose suit the debtor is imprisoned.

And on failure thereof the prisoner, being destitute of property may be discharged.

said debtor may apply to the court of common pleas if it be in session, or if not, then to a judge of the same court, who upon inquiry and finding the said debtor to be destitute of property for his support in prison, and failure of payment to have been made as aforesaid, shall forthwith discharge the said debtor from his imprisonment: *Provided always*, That the said daily allowance shall not exceed the sum of fourteen cents.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That so much of any law of this state as is hereby altered or supplied, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the seventh day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seven.

THOMAS M'KEAN.

CHAPTER CV.

An ACT to enable the Governor to incorporate a Company, to make an artificial Road from the Court-House in the Borough of Gettysburgh, through Petersburg, to the Maryland Line near Biddle's Mill.

SECTION 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 James M'Sherry, John Shorp, Jacob Winterott, James Gettys, Alexander Cobean and Henry Hoke, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, they shall, on or before the first day of November next, procure two books, and in each of them enter as follows, " We whose names are hereunto subscribed do promise to pay the president, managers and company, of the Gettysburgh and Petersburg turnpike-road, the sum of one hundred dollars for every share of stock in the said company set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportion as shall be determined by the said president and managers, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled, " An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road, from the court-house in the borough of Gettysburgh, through Petersburg to the Maryland line near Biddle's mill, witness our hands the day of in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and " and shall give notice in three of the public newspapers, one in the town of Hanover, one in Chambersburgh and one in Gettysburgh, for one month at least, of the

Commissioners appointed to receive subscriptions.

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