

CHAPTER CXXVIII.

An ACT authorizing the holding of special courts in the counties of Huntingdon, Mifflin and Centre.

WHEREAS the president of the courts of common pleas in the counties of Huntingdon, Mifflin and Centre before his appointment was engaged as council in many important causes which prevents him from sitting at the trial, and deprives the suitors of the advantage of legal opinions on matter of law in the said causes: For remedy whereof,

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 it shall be the duty of the prothonotaries of the counties of Huntingdon, Mifflin and Centre under the direction of the president of the courts thereof, to make out a docket of all causes and suits remaining untried and undetermined in which the said president is concerned in interest or was of council before his appointment to said office.

Duties of prothonotaries.

SECT. II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That a copy of the said dockets shall be transmitted to the president of the eighth judicial district which president shall be and is hereby authorized to appoint a time for holding special courts for the trial of all causes contained in each of the said dockets, directing two months notice to be given in the public newspapers of the proper county of the time of holding such special courts, and it shall be the duty of the president of the said eighth district to attend at the places appointed to hold such special courts and then and there with one or more of the associate judges of the proper county, hold such court and preside at the same, and the said president shall have power to adjourn the said courts respectively to such other convenient time or times until all the causes in the said docket shall have been tried and determined before him, which trials shall be in all other respects as the law directs as if the said causes had been tried and determined before the proper president of the court; and all juries shall be drawn and summoned for the trial of causes at the said special court in the same manner as is usual at any regular or adjourned court in said county and be entitled to like compensation.

President of the eighth judicial district to perform certain duties.

And may adjourn the courts, &c.

SECT. III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That for the holding the said special courts the said president shall be entitled to five dollars for each and every day he shall preside therein, and in coming to and returning from the same, to be paid by the treasurers of the proper counties on warrants to be drawn by the county commissioners.

Compensation for the said president.

SECT. IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all judgments rendered in the said special courts shall

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be carried into full effect by the court of common pleas of the proper county. ments to be carried into effect.

JOHN ST. CLAIR, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

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

APPROVED—the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CXXIX.

An ACT regulating the mode of charging interest on land in certain cases, and for other purposes.

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 from and after the passing of this act, it shall be lawful for the secretary of the land office to issue warrants to any person entitled thereto, within the purchase of one thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight or the previous purchases at the rate of ten pounds per hundred acres, charging interest within the purchase of one thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight from the first day of March, one thousand seven hundred and seventy and within the previous purchases from the first day of March, one thousand seven hundred and fifty five, in cases where the applicant cannot obtain proof of the time the said land was first improved as required by the existing laws.

Mode of charging interest on land in certain cases -

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That from and after the first day of June next, so much of the act of the twenty-second of September, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four as requires a settlement, residence and raising of grain, as also so much of the act of the third of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety two, as reduces the price of lands to fifty shillings per hundred acres, be and the same are hereby repealed, so far as respects lands within the purchase of one thousand seven hundred and sixty eight and the previous purchases : *provided,* that nothing herein contained shall impair or affect the right of any person who may have actually settled on vacant land before the passing of this act.

Certain acts repealed.

Proviso.

JOHN ST. CLAIR, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

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

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