

SECT. VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the county commissioners to whom the sums hereby appropriated are to be paid, in the manner as hereinbefore directed, to advertise that proposals will be received, at a certain time and place to be by them fixed, for making the improvements, and shall contract with such person or persons as will, in their judgment, secure the most advantageous expenditure of the sums appropriated in the two last preceding sections; and they shall furnish, to the auditors of their counties, a detailed statement of the manner in which the said monies shall have been expended, and the auditors shall have the same power, and shall settle the accounts in the same manner as the accounts of the county commissioners are by law directed to be settled, adjusted and published.

REES HILL, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the thirteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

## CHAPTER XLV.

An ACT granting a sum of money to aid in removing obstructions out of Sheerman's creek.

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 the sum of two thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of removing the obstructions in the Sheerman's creek, and improving the navigation of the same, between Creighhead's mill-dam and the confluence of said creek with the Susquehanna.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That Francis Gibson, George Stroop, John Maxwell, William Power, Samuel Anderson, John Creigh, Moses Watson, Isaiah Carl and Robert Adams, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to superintend the removal of said obstructions out of said creek; and as soon as the commissioners aforesaid shall give satisfactory evidence to the state treasurer, that the sum of two thousand dollars is subscribed by individuals, and the payment secured for the improvement of the navigation of said creek, and shall give bond, with sufficient sureties, to the governor, for the faithful application of the sum hereby granted for the purposes aforesaid, the state treasurer shall pay the said sum to the said commissioners, who are hereby required, within three years from and after the passing of this act, to furnish, under oath or affirmation, a statement of the manner

Accounts to be exhibited. in which the said sums of money shall have been expended, to the accountant department, who are hereby required to adjust and settle the same: *Provided*, That in the settlement of their accounts, the commissioners shall not be allowed any compensation for their individual services, and neither of them shall be concerned, directly or indirectly, in their private capacity, in any contract made by virtue of this act.

Proviso.

REES HILL, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives*.  
JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate*.

APPROVED—the seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

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## CHAPTER XLVI.

An ACT for the relief of John Thompson.

WHEREAS, it has been represented to this legislature, that in the summer of one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, the sum of two hundred and ninety-four dollars was stolen from John Thompson, of the borough of West-Chester: that he charged a certain Richard R. Williams with the said larceny, and had him arrested and held to bail to answer for the same, at the next court of quarter sessions held for the county of Chester: that previous to the court, the said Richard R. Williams fled, and did not appear to answer the charge against him, in consequence the recognizance of his bail, to the amount of three hundred dollars, was forfeited to the use of the commonwealth: and it appears reasonable that the said John Thompson should be remunerated out of the recognizance forfeited to the commonwealth: Therefore,

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 the state treasurer be, and he hereby is authorised and required to pay to John Thompson, of the borough of West-Chester, or to his order, the sum of two hundred and ninety-four dollars, out of a recognizance of three hundred dollars, of the surety of Richard R. Williams, forfeited in consequence of the non-appearance of the said Richard R. Williams, at a court of quarter sessions holden for the county of Chester, the last Monday in October, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, when the same shall have been paid into the state treasury.*

REES HILL, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives*.  
JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate*.

APPROVED—the seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.