

CHAPTER CXII.

An ACT to declare certain creeks within this commonwealth public highways.

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

Loyalsock creek, public highway.

Huntingdon.

Mahoopany.

Crooked creek.

Little Schuylkill. Nescópeck. Oil creek.

Tomhicken.

Pennepack.

Limitations and restrictions.

Proviso.

from and after the passing of this act, Loyalsock creek, in the county of Lycoming, from the mouth thereof up the same to Rogers' factory on said creek; the east branch of Fishing creek, commonly called Huntingdon creek, from the junction of said creek with Pine creek, in the county of Columbia, to the North mountain in the county of Luzerne; Mahoopany creek, from its mouth to the forks of the north and south branches thereof; Crooked creek, in the county of Armstrong, from its mouth to Jacob Frantz's mill; Tamaqua, commonly called Little Schuylkill, from its confluence with Big Schuylkill to David Longaire's saw-mill; Nescópeck creek, in the counties of Columbia and Luzerne, from its mouth to Mount Yorger; Oil creek, commonly called Mill creek, in the county of Crawford, from its mouth to the southern boundary of a tract of land belonging to Charles Plumb, in the counties of Crawford and Warren; Tomhicken creek, a branch of Catawissa creek, from its mouth to the line of a tract of land patented to Jeremiah Warder, Jeremiah Parker and Richard Parker, called Turn Hick; and Pemmapecha, commonly called Pennepack, in the county of Philadelphia, from its mouth to David Lewis' saw-mill race, be, and the same are severally and respectively declared public highways for the passage of rafts, boats, arks and other vessels, under the following restrictions and limitations, and it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants desirous of using the navigation of said creeks, to remove all natural and artificial obstructions from the bed or channel of the said creeks, or any of them, excepting dams for mills and other water works, and to erect such slopes or locks, and to keep the same in repair, at the mill dams now built, as may be necessary for the passage of rafts, boats, arks and other vessels: *Provided* such slopes or locks be so constructed as not to injure said dams: *And provided also,* That any person or persons owning or possessing lands on said creeks, or on any of them, may construct or erect any dam or dams across the same, agreeably and subject to all the restrictions and provisions of an act entitled "An act to authorise any person or persons owning lands adjoining navigable streams of water declared public highways, to erect dams upon such streams, for mills and other water works," passed the twentieth-third of March, one thousand eight hundred and three.

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

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.