

representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That Mary Zimmerman, administratrix of Peter Zimmerman, late of the county of Union, deceased, be, and she is hereby authorised and empowered to make and execute a good and sufficient deed, and in due form of law acknowledge the same, conveying such estate in a certain lot of ground, situate in Hartleton, in the county of Union, marked in the plan of said town number thirty-one, to Elizabeth Smith, wife of Melchior Smith, junior, as was conveyed to the said Peter Zimmerman, deceased: Provided, That nothing in this act contained shall in anywise impair the rights of any individual or individuals, which shall remain as fully as if this act had not been passed.

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

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER LXVII.

AN ACT

To authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna at the village of Meansville, the seat of justice in the county of Bradford.

Commissioners named. *SECT. 1. 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 William Means, George Scott, John Hollenback, J. M. Piolette, Jacob Bowman, Charles F. Welles, Eliphalet Mason, Burr Ridgway and Jonathan Stevans, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, They shall and may, on or before the first day of June next, procure at least three books, and enter therein as follows: "We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay to the president, managers and company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna at the village of Meansville, the sum of one hundred dollars for every share of stock in said company set op-*

Open books.

Price of shares.

posite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions and at such times as shall be determined by the president and managers, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly, entitled 'An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna at the village of Meansville, the seat of justice, in the county of Bradford.' Witness our hands the day of one thousand eight hundred and

” And shall, thereupon, give notice in at least one newspaper printed in said county, and one in the county of Luzerne, for one calendar month at least. when and where the said books shall be opened to receive subscriptions for the stock of the said company, at which respective times and places some one of the said commissioners shall attend, and permit all persons of lawful age to subscribe in said books, until the number of four hundred shares shall be subscribed, after which the books shall be closed: *Provided*, That every person offering to subscribe in the said books in his own name or the name of any other person, shall previously pay to the attending commissioner or commissioners ten dollars for every share to be subscribed, out of which shall be defrayed the expenses attending the taking of such subscriptions and other incidental charges, and the remainder shall be paid over to the treasurer of the corporation as soon as the same shall be organized and the officers chosen as hereinafter mentioned.

Notice to be given of opening books.

Proviso.

\$10 to be paid on each share at time of subscribing.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That when twenty or more persons shall have subscribed one hundred or more shares in the said books, the said commissioners respectively may, and when the whole number of shares shall be subscribed, shall certify, under their hands and seals, the names of the subscribers and the number of shares by them subscribed, to the Governor, and thereupon it shall be lawful for the Governor, by letters patent under his hand and the seal of the state, to erect and create the subscribers, and if the subscription be not full at the time, then those who shall afterwards subscribe to the number aforesaid, into one body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of "The President, Managers and Company for erecting a bridge over the Susquehanna river at the village of Meansville," and by the said name the said subscribers shall have perpetual succession, and all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and shall be capable of taking and holding their said capital stock, and the increase and profits thereof, and of enlarging the same by new subscriptions, in such manner and form as they shall think proper, if such enlargement shall be found necessary to fulfil the intent of this act, and of purchasing, taking and holding, to them and their successors and assigns, in fee simple, or for any less estate, real and personal, as shall be necessary and convenient to them in the prosecution of their works, and the same to sell and dispose of at their pleasure, and of suing

100 shares being subscribed letters patent may issue.

Style of corporation.

Powers and privileges of the corporation.

and being sued, and of doing all and every other thing which a corporation or body politic may lawfully do: *Provided*, That if the company hereby incorporated shall presume to usurp the power of issuing any note or notes in the nature of bank notes, or transact any business in the nature or manner of banking, then or in either case the privileges hereby granted shall revert to this Commonwealth: *And provided also*, That if the said company shall not commence building the said bridge within five years after the passing of this act, and complete the same within ten years thereafter, then the privileges hereby granted shall revert to this Commonwealth.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the six persons first named in the letters patent, as soon as conveniently may be after sealing the same, shall give notice in at least two newspapers printed in the counties of Bradford and Luzerne, of a time and place by them to be appointed; not less than thirty days from the time of issuing the first notice; at which time and place the said subscribers shall proceed to organize the said corporation, and shall choose, by a majority of votes of the said subscribers, by ballot, to be delivered in person or by proxy duly authorised, one president, six managers, one treasurer, and such other officers as they shall think necessary to conduct the business of the said company for one year, and until such other officers shall be chosen; and may make such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state or of the United States, as shall be necessary for the well-ordering of the affairs of the corporation; and generally to have all the powers, authorities and privileges necessary for commencing, carrying on and completing, maintaining and keeping in repair the said bridge, and shall receive like tolls, and be subject to all the duties, qualifications, restrictions, penaltics, fines and forfeitures which are given and granted, or imposed upon "the president, managers and company incorporated to erect a bridge over the river Susquehanna at the falls of Nescopeck, in the county of Luzerne," passed the ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and seven.

Proviso.

Notice to be given of the time of organizing the company.

What officers to be chosen.

Have like tolls and subject to like restrictions to those of the Nescopeck bridge company.

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

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER,