

the rights of individuals be in anywise affected or impaired thereby.

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

ISAAC WEAVER,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER.

## CHAPTER CLII.

### A SUPPLEMENT

To "An act authorising the commissioners of the county of Berks to erect a bridge over the river Schuylkill near the town of Reading."

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 the commissioners of the county of Berks and their successors, be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to demand and receive one cent toll from each and every person who shall go on or pass on foot over the bridge erected by virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, to be demanded, received and recovered by the said commissioners and their successors, or by such person as they may appoint for that purpose, in the same manner as toll for horses or cattle may be demanded, received and recovered by the said act: *Provided always,* That nothing in this act shall be construed so as to authorise toll to be demanded or taken from any person or persons exempted from the payment of toll by the said act: *And provided also,* That no toll shall be demanded from any person or persons who reside on one side of the river Schuylkill, and own or lease farms, houses or land on the other side, his, her or their heirs or assigns or their family or families, laborers or servants for passing or repassing over the said bridge on foot, for the purpose of viewing, cultivating, repairing or improving the said farm, house or land, or from any person passing over the said bridge for the purpose of endeavouring to extinguish any fire which may take place in Reading or its vicinity, or from laborers or mechanics going to or returning from their employment.

Toll to be demanded of foot passengers.

Proviso.

2d proviso.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That no person shall carry any lighted segar, pipe with

Penalty on carrying fire over said bridge.

a coal or any burning substance in it, or any other substance in a state of ignition on the said bridge, or shall ignite any segar or other substance while on the said bridge, under the penalty of five dollars for each and every such offence, to be recovered in such manner as debts under one hundred dollars are by law recoverable, before any justice of the peace of the borough of Reading, by the said commissioners or their successors; and all sums recovered under this section shall be paid to the treasurer of the said county for the use of the said county: *Provided always*, That nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent any person from carrying a lantern on said bridge, or the said commissioners, their successors or persons employed by them, from carrying lights or ignited substance on the said bridge for the repairs or convenience of the said bridge; and that no commissioner, public officer or private individual shall be excluded from the performance of his duties, or from being a competent witness under this act, by reason of the form of the action, or of the sum to be recovered being payable to the county treasurer as herein before directed: *And provided also*, That the penalty so incurred shall be sued for within six months after the offence shall have been committed.

Proviso.

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## CHAPTER CLIII.

### AN ACT

Confirming the title of John O'Neil and William Alexander, aliens, to certain property therein mentioned.

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 the title of John O'Neil, of the borough of Easton, in the county of Northampton, (an alien) to a certain lot of ground in the borough of Easton aforesaid, being part of a lot marked in the general plan of said borough, number two hun-

Title of Jno. O'Neil, an alien, to a lot of land confirmed.