hundred and ninety-nine, and its supplements, that have been heretofore released by Pennsylvania claimants under said acts, and not certified to Connecticut claimants, may be applied for, and titles shall be granted for the same in the same manner and on the same terms that other unappropriated lands within the said county are disposed of, and so much of the act of the fourth of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninetynine, as requires the said released lands to be sold at public auction, is hereby repealed: Provided, nevertheless, That any person or persons having improved or heretofore claimed any Provisoes. of said lands, shall have a preference in making applications for two years and no longer, on payment of interest on purchase money from date of settlement: And provided also, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to lands released by Pennsylvania claimants, lying within what are called "The Pitches," or to any tract or tracts or parts of tracts of land excluded by the original township lines, and for which compensation has not been made, but the same shall revert in the original owner or owners thereof, their heirs or assigns.

REES HILL, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ISAAC WEAVER,

Speaker of the Senate.

Approved—the twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CLXXIII.

AN ACT

Appropriating money to improve the road across Shade and Black Log mountains, Mifflin county.

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 sum of five hundred dollars be, and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of opening and improving a road lately laid out from Lewistown across Shade and Black Log mountains, to intersect the great road leading from Mifflintown up the Tuscarora valley, near the house of John Ross; and the state treasurer is hereby authorised to pay the said sum to the commissioners of Mifflin county, or their order, to

be by them expended in improving the road across said mountains; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall have power to vacate any part of said road as they shall judge proper, and to lay out the same anew, on such ground as they find better adapted to the making a good road: Provided they do not materially deviate from the general course of the road already laid out, and they shall be held responsible for a just and faithful discharge of the trust reposed in them by this act, and shall settle their accounts with the auditors of the county, in the same manner and at the same time they settle the public accounts of the county, and the report of the said auditors shall be made as in other cases of public accounts, and shall have the same force and effect.

> REES HILL, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

1SAAC WEAVER. Speaker of the Senate.

Approved—the twenty-lifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CLXXIV.

AN ACT

To authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Lehigh, at the Water Gap, in Northampton county.

ers 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 Commission. same, That David Snyder, Peter Rumble, William Fenstermacker, Stephen Balliet, junior, and Jacob Saegar, of Lehigh county, Thomas Craig, John Snyder, Nicholas Snyder and Jacob Stem, of Northampton county, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, They shall, 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 crecting a bridge over the river Lehigh, at the Water Gap, in Northampton county, twenty-five dollarsfor every share of stock in said company set opposite to our

respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at

Books to be opened.

5325 per share.