

CHAPTER LXXIV.

*AN ACT*

To vest in John Boyles, the right of this commonwealth to a certain escheated estate.

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 all the estate and interest derived by virtue of any escheat, for want of heirs or known kindred, capable of inheriting the estate of Thomas Laughlin, late of the county of Franklin, deceased, in and to the estate, real and personal, whereof the said Thomas Laughlin died, seized and possessed, be, and the same is hereby vested in John Boyles and Agnes his wife, their heirs and assigns, forever: Provided, That nothing in this act contained, shall be construed to prejudice or defeat the right of any other individual or individuals.*

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

ISAAC WEAVER,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER LXXV.

*AN ACT*

To authorise the Governor to incorporate the president, managers and company, of the Philadelphia and Great Bend turnpike road.

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 Benjamin R. Morgan, Condy Raguet, John Read, Thomas Stewardson, Thomas P. Cope, Robert Vaux and John Stoddard, of the city of Philadelphia, Isaac Ryncerson, Ithamer Mott, William Ward, Thomas Meredith, and Benjamin*

*Commissioners named.*

T. Case, of Susquehanna county, and Henry W. Drinker and William Clark, of Luzerne county, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to do and perform the several things hereinafter mentioned : That is to say, They shall on or before the first day of September next, procure two or more books, and enter in each of them as follows, " We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay unto the president, managers and company of the Philadelphia and Great Bend turnpike road, the sum of fifty dollars for every share of said stock, set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions and at such times, as shall be determined by the president and managers of the said company, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of this commonwealth, entitled " An act, to authorise the Governor to incorporate the president, managers and company, of the Philadelphia and Great Bend turnpike road." As witness our hands the day of in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and and shall thereupon give notice in one or more of the public papers printed in the city of Philadelphia, and in one or more papers in the county of Luzerne and county of Susquehanna, nearest the route of said road, for one calendar month at least, of the times and places 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 and suffer all persons of lawful age, who shall offer to subscribe in the said books in their own name or the names of any other person, who shall duly authorise the same, for any number of shares in the said stock, and the said books shall be kept open respectively, for the purpose aforesaid, at least six hours in every juridical day, for the space of three days, or until the said books so opened, at Philadelphia, shall have eight hundred shares therein subscribed; the said books opened at Montrose, shall have four hundred shares therein subscribed, and the said books opened at Wilkesbarre, shall have three hundred shares subscribed therein; and if at the expiration of the said three days, the books aforesaid, shall not have the number of shares aforesaid therein subscribed, the said commissioners respectively, may adjourn from time to time, and transfer the said books from place to place aforesaid, until the whole number of shares shall be subscribed, of which adjournment and transfer, the commissioners aforesaid, shall give such public notice as the occasion may require, and when the whole number of shares subscribed in the said books shall amount to one thousand five hundred shares, the same shall be closed: *Provided always*, That every person offering to subscribe in the said books, in his own name or in the name of any other person, shall previously pay to the attending commissioners, the sum of five dollars for every share to be subscribed, out of which shall be defrayed the expenses at-

Books to be procured.

Engagement of subscribers.

Notice.

Subscriptions to be taken.

Number of shares to be subscribed.

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tending the taking 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 organised and the officers chosen as hereinafter mentioned.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That when twenty or more persons shall have subscribed two hundred or more shares of the said stock, the commissioners shall certify, under their hands and seals, the names of the subscribers and the number of shares subscribed by each, to the Governor, and thereupon it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, by letters patent, under his hand and the seal of the state, to create and erect the subscribers, and if the said subscription be not full at the time, then also those who shall afterwards subscribe to the number aforesaid, into one body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of "The President, Managers and Company of the Philadelphia and Great Bend Turnpike Road;" and by the said name the 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 from time to time, by new subscriptions, in such manner and form as they shall think proper, if such enlargements shall be found necessary to fulfil the intent of this act, and of purchasing, taking and holding, to them and their successors and assigns, and of selling, transferring and conveying in fee simple, or for any less estate, all such lands, tenements, hereditaments and estates, real and personal, as shall be necessary to them in the prosecution of their works, and of suing and being sued, and doing all and every other matter and thing which a corporation or body politic may lawfully do.

When letters patent may issue.

Style and title

Powers and privileges.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the commissioners aforesaid, as soon as conveniently may be, after said letters patent shall be sealed and obtained, shall give notice in the public papers aforesaid, of the time and place by them to be appointed, not less than thirty days from the publication of the first notice; at which time and place the said subscribers shall proceed to organise 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 and twelve 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 the said managers so chosen and their successors, shall, and may make such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, as shall be necessary for the well ordering the affairs of the said company, and generally have like powers, authority and privileges, necessary for carrying on and completing the said turnpike road, and be subject to all

Proceeding to organise the coporation.

Officers to be chosen.

By-laws.

Placed on the footing of the Coshecton and Great Bend turnpike company.

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the duties, qualifications, restrictions, penalties, fines and forfeitures, and be entitled to like tolls and profits, in proportion to the distance as are given and granted to the president, managers and company of the Coshecton and Great Bend turnpike road. And the said Philadelphia and Great Bend turnpike road, shall commence at or near the thirtieth mile stone, on the Easton and Wilkesbarre turnpike road; pass over the nearest and best ground through Legget's gap in Lackawannock mountain, and terminate on the Coshecton and Great Bend turnpike road, at or near the tavern of Ithamer Mott, in the county of Susquehanna: *Provided*, That if the said company shall not proceed to carry on the said work in four years after the passing of this act, or shall not within ten years afterwards, complete the said road according to the true intent and meaning of this act, then in either of these cases it shall and may be lawful for the legislature of this commonwealth, to resume all and singular, the rights, privileges, liberties and franchises, by this act granted to the said company.

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

ISAAC WEAVER, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER LXXVI.

*AN ACT*

To enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Washington, in the county of Washington, through West Middletown, to the Virginia state line, near, or at the farm of Francis M'Guire.

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 George Baird, John Marshall, James Clerk, Thomas M'Call, David Craig, Daniel Huston, Robert Hervey and David T. Archer, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to do and perform the several duties herein-