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JOHN GILMORE, *Speaker*
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where the waters, owing to its sluggish nature, is backed upwards of twelve miles and overflows a considerable quantity of land, so as to endanger very seriously the health and comfort of those who reside on the banks of the river, and wholly to impede the passage of rafts and boats, except in very high floods.

SECOND—A mill-dam across the same river, about six miles below the state line, built two years ago by Allen Rice, and from which considerable injury has been sustained by the inhabitants living above the same, as well as by emigrants passing down the river.

THIRD—A mill-dam across the Oswego creek, near its mouth, kept up by Elias Williams, which entirely obstructs all navigation except the passage downwards in high floods, and is frequently the occasion of great detention and injury.

FOURTH—Another mill-dam across the same creek, kept up by William Pinkerton, William Kenard and Ezra Mead, at which great loss of time and property have frequently been sustained.

AND WHEREAS there are small locks for the passage of small boats at two of these dams, yet from the badness of their construction and negligence of the owners, they answer, as the petitioners state, no very good purpose; for besides the obstructions which these dams occasion, they are all erected for the sole purpose of sawing lumber, and the owners, by throwing slabs into the water, create drift wood and bars, and thereby greatly injure the navigation.

AND WHEREAS the grievances complained of cannot be remedied by this legislature, recourse must be had to the legislature of New York, in order to procure the redress prayed for: Therefore,

RESOLVED by the *Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met*, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorised and required to correspond with the Governor of the state of New York upon the subject of these grievances, and to request him to take such measures as he may deem best calculated to give early and reasonable satisfaction to the aggrieved petitioners.

JOHN GILMORE, *Speaker*
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PHILIP S. MARKLEY,
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APPROVED—April the second, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-one.

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*Relative to the ownership and value of the lots at Harrisburg,
opposite the state buildings.*

RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Secretary of the Land-Office, the Auditor and Surveyor Generals, be and they are hereby required to ascertain, if practicable, who are the owners of the several lots of ground in front of the state-buildings at Harrisburg, and lying between South street and North street, also to ascertain by viewers to be chosen between them and the owners respectively, or in any other manner which they may deem just, the price for which each lot can be purchased, and report the same and their opinion of the reasonableness of the price of each lot to the legislature, as soon as practicable.

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