

be sufficient to form a quorum for transacting the business of the said company.

Empty carriages to pass for half toll, and those carrying more than two tons to pay in proportion.

Waggoners, &c. to keep to the right.

Penalty for offending.

How recoverable.

Suits to be brought within thirty days.

Repealing section.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all teams or carriages of burthen, passing the said bridge, empty, may and shall be allowed to pass the same for half toll; and that a proportion of the tolls specified in the act to which this is a supplement, be added to the sums chargeable for carriages of burthen, laden with more than two tons.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all waggoners, and drivers of carriages of all kinds, whether of burthen or pleasure, crossing the said bridge, shall keep their horses and carriages on the right hand side of the said bridge, of which, notice shall be given by a printed or written label, in legible characters, and affixed at each end thereof, in a conspicuous place, and if any driver shall offend against this provision he shall, at the suit of the said corporation, forfeit and pay any sum not exceeding ten dollars nor less than two dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace as debts of like amount are recoverable: *Provided always,* that no suit shall be brought unless within thirty days after such offence shall have been committed.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all such part or parts of the laws to which this is supplementary, and all such part or parts of the law, passed the second of April, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, as are hereby altered or supplied, be and the same are hereby repealed.

JOHN TOD, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

P. C. LANE, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

SIMON SNYDER.

### CHAPTER XXIII.

*An ACT to authorize the governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquebanna, at the Great Bend, where the ferry is now kept, opposite the houses of Abraham Dubois and Sylvanus H. tcb, in the district of Willingborough, and county district of Susquebanna.*

Commissioners appointed.

SECT. I. *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 Samuel Hodgdon and John B. Wallace, of the city of Philadelphia; and William Thompson, Sylvanus Hatch, Robert H. Rose, Minas Dubois, and Richard Barnum, of the county district of Susquehanna, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several duties herein after mentioned; that

is to say, they shall and may, on or before the first Monday of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, procure two books and enter therein as follows Books to be procured. Entry therein.  
 " 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 Great Bend, in the county district of Susquehanna, the sum of fifty dollars for every share of stock in the said company set opposite 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 authorize the governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the Great Bend, where the ferry is now kept, opposite the houses of Abraham Dubois and Sylvanus Hatch, in the district of Willingborough, and county district of Susquehanna. Witness our hands the day of , in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and

" and thereupon shall give notice in one of the public newspapers printed at Philadelphia, and one or more of the newspapers printed in the borough of Wilkesbarre, for one calendar month at least, of the times and places in the city of Philadelphia, and in the borough of Wilkesbarre, when and where the said books shall be opened to receive subscriptions for the stock of said company ; at which respective times and places some one of the said commissioners shall attend, and shall permit all persons who shall offer to subscribe in the said books, which shall Notice to be given of the opening of the books.

for that purpose be kept open at least six hours in every juridical day, for the space of at least three juridical days, if three days be necessary, and in any of the said juridical days within the hours aforesaid, any person of the age of twenty-one years, shall have liberty to subscribe in his own name, or in the name or names of any other person or persons, by whom he shall be authorized, for one share ; on the second day, for one or two shares ; on the third day, for two or three shares ; on any succeeding day while the said books shall remain open, for any number of shares in said stock ; and if at the expiration of the said three first days, the said book opened at Philadelphia, shall not have subscribed fifty shares therein, or the book opened at the house of Abraham Dubois, at the Great Bend, shall not have one hundred and fifty shares therein subscribed, the said commissioners respectively, may adjourn from time to time, until the said number of shares shall be subscribed, of which adjournment public One of the commissioners to attend. Who may subscribe,

notice shall be given at each place ; and when the said subscriptions in the said books shall amount to the respective numbers aforesaid, the same shall be closed ; and if before the said subscription shall be declared to be full, application shall be made to subscribe more shares than will fill the said books, or either of them, the said commissioners respectively, shall apportion the and for what number of shares.

When the books shall be closed. Commissioners may adjourn.

When the books shall be closed.

Shares may be apportioned

whole number of shares at such respective place, among all those who shall have subscribed, or offer to subscribe as aforesaid, on that day, at such place, by deducting from the subscribers of more shares than one, such proportion of the shares by them respectively subscribed, as will leave every person one or more shares; but if after any one of the said books shall have been opened, at any one of the respective places aforesaid, for the space of ninety days, the whole number of shares to the said places herein before respectively allotted, shall not have been subscribed, the said book or books may be respectively transferred to any place in the county of Luzerne and there kept open as aforesaid until the said subscription shall be full as aforesaid, public notice being given thereof, at the places whence, and whereto the said books shall be respectively transferred: *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 commissioner, or commissioners, taking such subscription, five dollars on each share, to be subscribed, which money shall go to defray the expenses of the commissioner or commissioners, and the residue thereof, if any there should be, 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.

Books may be transferred.

Five dollars to be paid on subscribing.

How appropriated.

When subscriptions shall be certified to the governor.

Who shall thereupon incorporate the subscribers.

Style of the company.

Privileges and powers of the corporation.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That when twenty or more persons shall have subscribed one hundred 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 subscribed by, or apportioned to each subscriber, 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 said subscriptions be not full at the time, then as well those who have already subscribed, as 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 river Susquehanna, at the Great Bend, in the district of Willingborough, and county district of Susquehanna;" 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 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 and being sued; and of doing all and every other matter and thing, which a corporation or body politic, may lawfully do.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* Notice to be  
That the four persons first named in the letters patent, as soon given of or-  
as conveniently may be, after sealing the same, shall give notice ganizing the  
in two or more of the public newspapers, in the city of Philadel- company.  
phia, and also in one or more of the newspapers in the borough  
of Wilkesbarrè, 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 or-  
ganize the said corporation, and shall choose by a majority of Officers to be  
votes of the said subscribers, by ballot, to be delivered in person or chosen.  
by proxy, duly authorized, one president, six managers, one trea-  
surer, and such other officers as they shall think necessary to  
conduct the business of 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 the United States, as shall be necessa-  
ry for the well ordering the affairs of said company; and genera-  
rally to have all the powers, authorities and privileges, necessary  
for erecting, completing, maintaining, and keeping in repair the  
said bridge; and be entitled to receive and collect the same rates  
of tolls; and be subject to all the duties, qualifications, restric-  
tions, penalties, fines and forfeitures, which are given and grant-  
ed, or imposed upon the president, managers and company, in-  
corporated to erect a bridge over the river Delaware, at the bo-  
rough of Easton, in the county of Northampton, in virtue of an  
act of assembly passed on the thirteenth day of March, anno  
Domini, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five: *Provided* Who shall be  
that no toll shall be demanded, or taken from any person or per- exempted  
sons attending funerals; or going to or returning from church, from toll.  
or meeting on Sunday; from persons belonging to the militia in  
going to and returning from muster on days of training; or  
from children passing to and from school.

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