

whomsoever, to the aforesaid message, lot of land and premises.

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

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

APPROVED—the twenty-ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CLIX.

An ACT for the relief of Henry Zerfas.

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 state treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Henry Zerfas, or order, of Armstrong county, the sum of eighty dollars, immediately after the passing of this act.*

Eighty dollars granted to Henry Zerfas.

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CHAPTER CLX.

An ACT to establish an academy in the borough of Orwigsburg, in the county of Schuylkill, and to grant a sum of money thereto.

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 there shall be and hereby is established in the borough of Orwigsburg in the county of Schuylkill, an academy or public school for the education of youth in useful arts, sciences and literature, by the name and style of, "The Orwigsburg Academy."*

Academy established.

Title of.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the first trustees of the Orwigsburg academy shall consist of the following persons, to wit, Daniel Graeff, William Green, jun. James M'Farland, Jacob Krebs, Barnet Kepner, Jeremiah Reed, Abraham Reiffsnyder, and Philip Hey, which said trustees and their successors, to be elected as hereinafter directed, shall be and hereby are declared to be one body politic by the name, style, and title of, "The Trustees of the*

Trustees named.

Style of corporation.

Orwigsburg Academy," and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, plead Powers of and be impleaded, in all courts of record and elsewhere; and shall be competent and capable in law and equity to take and to hold, to them and their successors, for the use of said academy, lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods and chattels, of whatsoever kind nature or quality, real, personal or mixed, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, conveyance, assurance, will, devise or bequest, from any person or persons whomsoever capable of making the same; and the same from time to time to grant bargain, sell, demise, alien or dispose of, for the use of said academy: and to erect such buildings as may be necessary; and generally to do all and singular the matters and things which shall be lawful for them to do for the well being of the said academy and the due management and ordering the affairs thereof; *provided*, that the yearly value of the estates, Proviso. monies and other property, held by the said corporation, shall in no wise exceed two thousand dollars.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said trustees and their successors, shall have full Of the seal. power and authority to use one common seal, and the same to alter and renew at their pleasure.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the number of trustees shall be eight as aforesaid, and shall be so changed as that none of them shall continue in office for a longer term than four years without being re-elected by the people of the said county; and for that purpose it shall be the duty of the said trustees, at their first meeting, when no less than five of them shall be present, (which number shall be a quorum to do business,) and they are hereby authorized and required to cast lots for ascertaining the members to be changed each year, until the whole number shall be changed; and in order annually to supply the vacancy as the same may take place, the citizens of the county of Schuylkill, on the second Tuesday of October next, and annually thereafter, forever, at the same places and in the same manner and under the same laws, rules and regulations, as members of the legislature shall be chosen, shall elect two trustees to supply the place of the trustees going out of office; *provided always*, that in case the places of the trustees shall become vacant by death, resignation, or otherwise, the remaining trustees shall appoint a person or persons to fill such vacancy or vacancies, until the next general election when the class in which such vacancy or vacancies may happen are to be chosen. Election of trustees. Five members to be a quorum. When and where elections shall be held. Proviso.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said trustees and their successors, any five of whom shall constitute a quorum, may and shall transact all the business of said academy, such as making and enacting ordinances and by laws for the government of said academy, electing and Trustees to make by-laws.

appointing masters and tutors, and at their pleasure removing the same, appointing a secretary, treasurer, and other necessary officers for taking care of the funds and managing the concerns of the corporation, and determining all matters and things necessary to the good order and well being of the same; *provided always*, that no ordinance or by-law shall have any force or effect which shall be contrary to the constitution or laws of this commonwealth, or of the United States.

Proviso.

By-laws to be entered in books.

Of gifts, grants, &c.

SECT. VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all by-laws, ordinances, and proceedings of the corporation shall be fairly and regularly entered in books to be kept for that purpose, and no misnomer of the said corporation shall defeat or annul any gift, grant, devise or bequest, to the same where the intent of the party or parties shall sufficiently appear on the face of the gift, grant, will, or other writing, whereby any estate or other interest shall have been intended to pass to the said corporation; nor shall any non-user of the rights, liberties, privileges, jurisdictions and authorities, hereby granted to the said corporation, create or in any wise cause a forfeiture of the same.

2000 dollars granted to the said corporation.

How to be expended.

SECT. VII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the sum of two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby granted out of any unappropriated money which shall be in the treasury of this commonwealth, to be paid on the order or orders of the said trustees or any five of them hereinbefore mentioned, one thousand dollars thereof to enable them to erect suitable buildings for the said academy or public school, or to be otherwise applied under their direction in such manner as they shall believe to be most advantageous for promoting the object of the said institution, and the remaining one thousand dollars shall be placed in some safe and productive fund or funds, and the income thereof for ever applied in aid of other revenues, to compensate a teacher or teachers in said academy or public school; and there shall be admitted into said academy in consequence of the aforementioned grant any number of poor children that may at any time be offered, in order to be taught gratis; *provided*, the number so admitted and taught shall at no time be greater than four, and that none of the said children so admitted shall continue in said academy to be taught gratis, should others apply, longer than two years.

Proviso.

Trustees to exhibit their books, &c. for settlement to the auditors of Schuylkill county.

SECT. VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said trustees, under the penalty of twenty dollars each, to be recovered as debts to that amount are by law recoverable, one half for the use of the informer, and the other half towards defraying the expenses of teaching the poor children in said academy, shall annually exhibit all their books, accounts, and vouchers of every kind, to the auditors of the said county of Schuylkill, if the said auditors or any two of

them shall require the same to be settled, adjusted and published, in the same manner as the accounts of the county commissioners are by law directed to be settled, adjusted and published.

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CHAPTER CLXI.

An ACT authorizing James Wright and James Wright, jun. administrators of the estate of Samuel Wright, late of the town of Columbia, deceased, to execute certain deeds.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the legislature, that Samuel Wright in his life time contracted to sell certain lots of land in and near the town of Columbia, in the county of Lancaster, to sundry persons who hold and possess the same, but in sundry instances have not fully paid the purchase money, and there is no written evidence of the contracts, but the said contracts and the terms are well known to the administrators of his estate and others; and it is greatly for the benefit of the said town that the same should be improved and the titles to lots therein made certain: Therefore,

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 That James Wright and James Wright, jun. administrators of the estate of Samuel Wright, late of the town of Columbia, in the county of Lancaster, deceased, shall be and they are hereby authorized to convey and transfer by sufficient deeds and assurances in the law, to all persons who have bought or contracted for any lot or lots, or pieces or parcels of land in and near the town of Columbia, and Columbia continued, of the said Samuel Wright, deceased, in his life time, and for which no deeds have heretofore been executed, nor any written evidence of such purchase or contracts for such estate and interest therein as the said Samuel Wright contracted to sell and convey; provided, the said administrators shall be fully satisfied of such contracts having been made, and of the terms thereof; and on payment or securing the payment of the full consideration monies or balances of consideration money due for the same; which deed shall be of the same force and effect as if the said Samuel Wright, in his life time, had duly executed the same: and provided further, that the said administrators

Administrators of Samuel Wright, to make deeds, &c. to the purchasers of lots in the town of Columbia.

Proviso.

Additional proviso.