

CHAPTER XXXI.

A SUPPLEMENT to an act entitled, "An act to enable the governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road, beginning at the intersection of Vine and Tenth streets, Philadelphia, and thence to Perkiomen bridge, in the county of Montgomery."

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 the president and managers of the Ridge road turnpike company, be and they are hereby authorized to demand and receive, in addition to the tolls which they are now authorized by law to receive, such tolls upon waggons or carts drawn by more than two horses and pleasurable carriages, as shall enable them to realize an interest of six per cent. and no more, upon the whole amount of the capital stock of the said company; *provided,* that whenever the debts contracted for the making and repairing that part of the Ridge turnpike road now done, and the debts which may hereafter be contracted for completing that part of the road yet to be made, shall have been paid, the tolls to be received for the use of the said road, shall in all cases be reduced to the rates at which they stood prior to the passage of this act; *provided,* that the tolls shall in no case be raised to a higher rate than those authorized to be taken by the Germantown turnpike road company.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That in order that that part of the Ridge turnpike road which is to be made from the Baptist meeting house, near the twenty-second mile stone on the Ridge road to the Perkiomen bridge, may be made by the nearest and best route, it shall and may be lawful for the said president and managers, their superintendants, surveyors, engineers, artists, and chain carriers, to enter into and upon all and every the lands, tenements and inclosures, in, through and over which the said president and managers may think proper to make that part of the said road; *provided,* that in case the said president and managers, and the owner or owners of any land, tenement or inclosure, in, through or over which the said road may be made, cannot agree upon the amount of compensation to be made to such owner or owners, when such compensation shall have been demanded, the amount of such compensation shall be fixed by three disinterested freeholders who shall be on oath or affirmation, to be selected by the parties if they can agree, and if not, then to be appointed by the court of common pleas of the county of Montgomery; and the said three persons are hereby required to take into consideration the advantages and disadvantages accruing or likely to accrue to the party or parties through whose lands, tene-

Additional tolls granted.

Proviso.

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President managers, &c. may enter on lands.

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Damages, how to be ascertained.

ments or inclosures the said road may be made, by reason of the said road passing through the same, which compensation when assessed as aforesaid, shall be recovered in the same manner as debts to the same amount are by law recoverable. How recoverable.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That whenever the president or any of the managers of the Ridge turnpike road company shall die, resign or remove out of this state, it shall be lawful for the board of managers to supply such vacancy or vacancies. Vacancies of offices, how filled.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the president and managers of the Ridge turnpike road company be and they are hereby directed to transmit to the legislature of this state, on or before the tenth day of January, in each and every year, an exact statement of the debts due, the sums paid, and the sums received, by the said company within every such year, verified under oath or affirmation, to be taken and subscribed before some justice of the peace of the county of Philadelphia, or county of Montgomery, by the secretary of the said company. Company to make reports to the legislature &c.

ROBERT SMITH, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

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

APPROVED—the twenty-first day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER XXXII.

An ACT to prevent the destruction of the spawn or brood of fish in the river Conestoga.

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 if any person or persons whatsoever, from and after the passing of this act, shall use any Sturchel net (commonly called Sturjel net) or Sweep net (commonly called Brush net) or shall drive with horses for the purpose of taking fish in the river Conestoga, below the mouth of muddy creek, every person so offending, being legally thereof convicted by the oath or affirmation of one or more credible witnesses, or by his or her own confession, before any justice of the peace of the county of Lancaster, shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty dollars, to the directors for the use of the poor of the county of Lancaster, any law or usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding: *provided always,* that every Certain nets not to be cast in the river Conestoga.

Penalty of 20 dollars.

Proviso.