

Landlord or lessor, not to dispossess by summary proceedings, joint-tenants, &c. Proviso. That the tenant, or person in possession make oath that the premises in dispute does not exceed a certain quantity or value.

Further proviso. That the tenant enter into a recognizance to prosecute his claim, &c.

scribed to dispossess any person claiming to hold such leased or demised premises as joint-tenant co-partner or tenant in common with the landlord or person claiming possession: *Provided*, That the tenant or the person in possession, or the person under whom the tenant may claim to hold, shall, upon the return of the warrant, in the nature of a summons issued by the two justices of the peace, to whom the landlord, lessor, or person claiming possession may have applied declare on oath or affirmation to be taken and subscribed before the said justices that the premises in dispute are holden and claimed by or under a co-joint-tenant co-partner or tenant in common with the landlord, lessor, or person claiming possession and that the person making such oath or affirmation, doth verily believe that the premises in dispute do not exceed in quantity or value the just proportion of the joint-tenant, partner\*, or tenant in common, by or under whom the premises may be holden or attempted to be holden: *And Provided also*, That the tenant or person in possession, or the person under whom the tenant may claim to hold, shall, with one or more sufficient sureties become bound by recognizance in the sum of one thousand dollars to the lessor or landlord, or person claiming possession, his heirs or assigns, to prosecute his claim at the next court of common pleas, to be held for the county where the lands shall be. But if the said claim shall not be so prosecuted, then and in that case such proceedings shall be had as would have been had if the said recognizance had not been entered into.

JOHN ST. CLAIR, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.

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

APPROVED—the twenty-second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

### CHAPTER CIII.

*A SUPPLEMENT to an act, entitled "An act to remedy defects in the titles of real estate, purchased by certain emigrants within this commonwealth, during the time they were aliens."*

Certain act extended.

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 provisions of the act entitled "An act to remedy defects in the titles of real estate purchased by certain emigrants within this commonwealth, during the time they were aliens," passed the twentieth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, be, and the same are hereby extended to all purchases, contracts and sales, made since the passing of said act.*

\* "Parcener," in the original.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be lawful for any alien, who, on the eighteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, resided, and has since continued to reside in this state, and who is a subject of any sovereign, state, or nation, at war with the United States, after having filed according to law, a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States, to receive, hold and convey any lands and tenements within this commonwealth not exceeding in quantity two hundred acres, nor in value twenty thousand dollars, as fully to all intents and purposes as a citizen of the United States can do.

Certain aliens having filed their declaration, &c. may hold and convey lands to a certain amount.

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CHAPTER CIV.

An ACT to enable the governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for improving the navigation of the river Lehigh.

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 Robert Wallace, John Naglee, (lumber merchant, Northern Liberties,) Thomas Stewardson, Joseph Grice, (ship builder, Northern Liberties,) John Gibson, for the city and county of Philadelphia; Asher Miner, Samuel Sellers, Hugh Ely, Joseph Smith, Anthony Taylor and Adam Romig, for the county of Bucks; John Ross, William Latimore, Joseph Rice, John D. Bowman, and Jacob Stem, for the county of Northampton; James Wilson, Jacob Newhart, Jacob Blumer, Nicholas Saeger, for the county of Lehigh; Redman Cunningham, Ebenezer Bowman, Jacob Cist and Joseph Pruner, for the county of Luzerne; Andrew Shiner, Philip Merlin and John Chamberlin, for the county of Columbia, or any three of them be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several things herein after mentioned, *that is to say,* they shall on or before the first Monday in May next procure a sufficient number of books, one or more of which shall be opened at some convenient place or places in the city and county of Philadelphia, also at New Hope and Doylestown in the county of Bucks, at Easton and Bethlehem in the county of Northampton, at Allentown in the county of Lehigh, at Berwick in the county of Columbia, and at Wilkesbarre in the county of Luzerne, and in each of them enter as follows: "We whose names are hereunto subscribed do promise to pay the president and managers of the Lehigh navigation com-

Commissioners named.

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