

CHAPTER CXLIII.

An ACT authorizing the governor to appoint commissioners to view and examine the river Monongahela from the borough of Pittsburg to the southern boundary of the state, for purposes therein mentioned.

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 governor be and he is hereby authorized to appoint three competent and disinterested persons, citizens of this commonwealth, one of whom shall be a practical surveyor, to view and examine the river Monongahela, from the junction of said river with the Allegheny river, to the point where the southern boundary of this state crosses said river; whose duty it shall be to repair to the borough of Pittsburgh aforesaid, and to view and examine the aforesaid river from the point hereinbefore designated, at the borough of Pittsburg, to the point in the southern boundary aforesaid, and take the courses and distances of the several meanders of the said river between the points aforesaid; and also, an accurate observation and admeasurement of the distances between the different ripples, and the elevation in feet and parts of a foot of the said ripples progressively above the horizon of Pittsburg.

Commissioners to view the river Monongahela.

And take the courses and distances of a part thereof.

SECT. II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the commissioners shall, as soon as may be after they shall have made the view and examination as aforesaid, present to the governor at the next sitting of the legislature, an accurate plan of the same with its several courses and distances, accompanied with a written report of their proceedings, describing the distances between, and elevations of the different ripples; also the number of dams already made, and the most suitable places for constructing other dams, locks, works or devices necessary to be made to render said river navigable through the whole distance; and shall make according to the best of their knowledge and judgment an estimate of the probable expense necessary for the purposes aforesaid.

Commissioners to report to the Governor.

SECT. III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That each of the said commissioners before he enters on the duties for which he shall have been appointed by virtue of this act, shall take and subscribe, before a justice of the peace, an oath or affirmation, faithfully and impartially to perform all the duties required of him by this act; and each of them shall receive three dollars per day, while necessarily employed as aforesaid, in full for his compensation, including all expenses; and they are hereby authorized to employ two chain bearers to attend them in taking the said view, for whose faithfulness and accuracy the said commissioners shall be responsible; and each of the said chain bearers shall receive one dol-

And shall take an oath or affirmation.

Compensation of commissioners.

Compensation of chain bearers.

lar per day, whilst he shall be employed in said business, of which fact a certificate signed by said commissioners shall be deemed sufficient evidence.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the state treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the wages aforesaid of the said commissioners and chain bearers, out of any money remaining in the state treasury : *provided,* that the sum shall not exceed six hundred dollars.

How wages shall be paid.

Proviso.

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

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

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

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER CXLIV.

An ACT for the relief of the heirs of Joseph Flora, deceased.

WHEREAS it is represented to the legislature that Joseph Flora, formerly of Paxton township in Lancaster (now Dauphin) county, by his last will and testament dated the sixteenth of September, seventeen hundred and eighty-three, bequeathed to the two children of his son Abraham, then deceased, a certain part of his estate, which by a settlement made in the Orphan's Court of Dauphin county it is ascertained amounts to three hundred and thirty-seven pounds six shillings and six pence; that the said legatees with their mother removed from the state of Pennsylvania about the year seventeen hundred and seventy-eight, and have never since been heard of; that it is not known whether they be living or dead, although diligent inquiry has been made during the thirty-six years which have elapsed since their removal; that the said Joseph Flora left six other children whose descendants are now numerous and many of them poor; and that the amount of the said bequest remains unproductive in the hands of some of the legal representatives of the said Joseph Flora; Therefore,

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 John Wolfley, one of the executors of Conrad Wolfley, who was one of the executors of Joseph Flora, formerly of Paxton township in Lancaster (now Dauphin) county, deceased, and Christian Spayd and John M'Cammon executors of Jacob Wolfley who was an executor of the said Conrad Wolfley, be and they are hereby authorized and required to distribute the sum of three hundred and thirty-seven pounds six shillings and six pence, and the interest which

How certain estate of Joseph Flora shall be distributed.