

CHAPTER LXXI.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled "An act to erect part of Northumberland county into a separate county, to be called Union."

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 from and after the first Monday of May next, the several courts in and for the county of Union, shall be opened and held in the court house in the town of New Berlin, in the said county, and it shall be the duty of the several officers in the said county of Union, who now, by law, are obliged to hold their offices in the county town, to remove their respective offices to the said town of New Berlin, on or before the first Monday of May aforesaid; any law to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided,* That a full and a sufficient deed, in fee simple, for the court house and lot whereon the same shall have been erected, shall, on or before the first Monday in April next, be tendered to the commissioners of the said county, on the payment of sixty-seven cents by them.

Courts of Union to be held at New Berlin.

Proviso.

JACOB HOLGATE, *Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER LXXII.

AN ACT establishing an Academy in Lewistown, in the county of Mifflin.

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 there shall be, and hereby is established in Lewistown, in the county of Mifflin, an academy for the education of youth in the useful arts, sciences and literature, by the name and style of "The Lewistown Academy."

Academy to be built in Lewistown.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That until the first of April, eighteen hundred and sixteen, the trustees of the Lewistown academy shall consist of the following persons, to wit: The reverend James Johnston, reverend William Kennedy, reverend John Hutcheson, reverend Thomas Smith, reverend John Coulter, David Reynolds, James Knox, Matthew Taylor, William Lyon, Richard Hope, James Sharard, Robert M'Clintock, William P. Maclay, John Oliver and Andrew Banks, which said trustees, and their successors to be elected as hereinafter directed, shall be, and hereby are declared to be one body corporate and politic, by the name, style and title of "The Trustees of the

Trustees of said academy which a body politic.

Lewistown Academy," and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, plead 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 chattles of what kind, nature or quality soever, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, conveyance assurance, will, devise or bequest from any person or persons whomsoever, capable of making the same: *Provided* the same do not exceed the yearly value of five thousand dollars: and the same from time to time to grant, bargain, sell, demise, alien, lease or dispose of for the use of said academy, and to erect such building 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.

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Of a common seal.

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

8 trustees to form a quorum—their powers.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said trustees shall hold their first meeting, in Lewistown, on the first Monday in May next after the passing of this act, and shall meet on the first Monday in May in each succeeding year, any eight of whom shall constitute a quorum, who shall have the power of transacting the business of the said academy, particularly in making and enacting ordinances and by-laws for the government thereof, of electing trustees in the room of those who may be removed by death, resignation, or otherwise, of electing and appointing masters and tutors for said academy, of agreeing with them for and paying their salaries, and at their pleasure removing the same, of appointing a secretary and other necessary officers, of taking care of the funds and managing the concerns of the corporation, and of determining all matters and things necessary to be determined and transacted by said trustees: *Provided,* That no ordinance or by-law shall be contrary to the constitution or laws of the United States, or of those of this state.

Election of trustees.

SECT. V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the first election for trustees of said academy, shall be hold on on the first Monday in April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen, and on the first Monday of April annually thereafter, and no person or persons shall be entitled to vote at said election, unless he or they shall have previously become a subscriber to the stock or funds of said academy.

Proceedings of said trustees to be entered in a book.

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 a book 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 said corporation: *Provided* the intent of the parties shall sufficiently appear on the face of the gift, grant, will or other writing whereby any estate or other interest, was intended to pass to the said corporation; nor shall any nonuser of the rights, liberties, privileges, jurisdictions

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and authorities hereby granted to the said corporation, create or in anywise cause a forfeiture thereof.

SECT. VII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That no sale or alienation of the real estate of the said corporation, which may be made by the said trustees, or their successors, bona fide, for a valuable consideration, in case the possession thereof pass immediately to the purchaser or purchasers, and continue in him, her, or them, his, her, or their heirs or assigns, shall be invalidated for want of proving that eight of said trustees of said corporation consented to such sale and alienation, unless the same be controverted within the space of seven years from and after the sale and delivery of such real estate to the purchaser or purchasers thereof.

SECT. VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the sum of two thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby granted, to be paid by warrant to be drawn by the governor on the state treasurer, to the trustees of Lewistown academy, or a majority thereof; one thousand dollars thereof to enable them to erect suitable buildings for the said academy, or to be otherwise applied, under their direction, in such manner as they shall believe to be most advantageous for promoting the objects of said institution, and the remaining one thousand dollars shall be placed in some productive fund or funds, the increase thereof shall be applied in aid of other resources to compensate a teacher or teachers in said academy; but the money hereby granted shall not be paid until the sum of five hundred dollars shall have been secured to be paid by private subscription, for the benefit of said institution; and there shall be admitted into said academy, any number of poor children, who may, at any time, be offered, to be taught gratis; but the number so admitted and taught gratis, shall at no time be greater than five, and none of said children shall continue to be taught gratis in said academy longer than two years.

JACOB HOLGATE, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

CHAPTER LXXIII.

An ACT to authorize the governor to incorporate a company for the purpose of erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, opposite the borough of Sunbury, in the county of Northumberland.

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 Charles Hall, Andrew Albright, Daniel Lebo and Jonas Weaver,