

CHAPTER LXXXVI.

An ACT authorizing the governor to appoint commissioners for the purpose of laying out a state road, from the middle ferry bridge, near Philadelphia, to the M'Call's ferry bridge over the Susquehanna.

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 commissioners, one of whom shall be a practical surveyor, to lay out and mark a road, beginning at or near the west end of the middle ferry bridge over Schuylkill, thence along the road called the Marlborough street, varying from the route thereof only in such places as the ground shall appear most eligible, or the distance shortened, until the said street road leaves the most direct course then to be continued on the nearest and best route to the east end of the bridge now erecting over the river Susquehanna, at M'Call's ferry, in the county of Lancaster; and the said commissioners, after having taken an oath or affirmation, before some judge or justice of the peace, to perform the said duty with fidelity, shall proceed to perform the service aforesaid, at such time as the governor shall direct; and they shall deposit a draught of the said road in the office of the clerk of the quarter sessions of the respective counties through which the same shall pass, which shall be a record of said road, and from thenceforth it shall be, to all intents and purposes, a public highway, and shall be opened to the width of fifty feet, and kept in repair as roads laid out by order of the courts of quarter sessions, are opened and kept in repair in said counties: *Provided,* That the owners of lands through which the said road may be laid out, shall have the same remedy for any damages they may sustain thereby, as they would have if said road were laid out by orders of the courts of the respective counties through which the same may pass.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the commissioners shall be allowed each three dollars per day, and two chain carriers and one marker shall be allowed two dollars each, for every day that they may be necessarily employed in viewing, surveying and marking the said road, and the expense shall be paid by the respective counties, in proportion to the extent of said road in each, on warrants drawn by the county commissioners of the respective counties on the treasurers thereof.

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.

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