

## CHAPTER CXL.

An ACT to compel the payment of dividends due to the commonwealth, made by incorporated companies.

**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 in all incorporated companies (banking companies excepted) now created, or which may hereafter be created by virtue of any law of this commonwealth, and in which any portion of the stock now is or hereafter shall be held by the state, and whereon dividends have been or hereafter may be declared by the directors or managers thereof, respectively, it shall be the duty of each and every of the treasurers of the said incorporations respectively, to pay the proportions due to the state into the treasury of this commonwealth, within sixty days after each declaration of dividends, and within sixty days after passing of this act with respect to dividends heretofore declared, and on failure to make such payment, the governor is hereby directed to instruct the attorney general to bring suit therefor against such defaulting company.*

REES HILL, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

## CHAPTER CXLI.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled "An act to enable the governor to incorporate a company for improving the navigation of the river Lehigh."

WHEREAS, by reason of the late war and other causes, books have not been opened and subscriptions obtained in pursuance of the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement; and it appears that the said act is in some respects defective and susceptible of material amendment: Therefore,

**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*

Commissioners named,

John Lardner, Thomas Stewartson, George Vaux, William Penrose and John Gibson, of the city and county of Philadelphia, Asher Minor, Joseph Smith, Lewis S. Coryell and James Vanuxem, junior, of Bucks county, Joseph Rice, Henry Jarret, Jacob Ster and George Buttz, of Northampton county, George M. Hollenbach, Redmond Conyngham, Joseph Senton and David Richards, of Luzerne county, Jacob Seager, James Wilson, William Eckart and George Yundt, of Lehigh county, Jacob Shiner, Philip Marlin, John Chamberlin and John Brown at

Columbia county, or any two of them, be, and they are hereby appointed to do and perform, before the first Monday in September next, the several duties and acts set forth in the act to which this is a supplement, with the powers and subject to the restrictions therein contained, excepting only as to the time of opening the said books, which is hereby altered; and that whatever other acts, matters and things are by the said act directed to be done on the first Monday in May in any year, shall be done on the first Monday of September in such year.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the president, managers and company of the Lehigh Navigation Company, when incorporated in pursuance of the act to which this is a supplement, to commence and carry on from time to time their improvements of the navigation of the river Lehigh, at such places as in their opinion first require such improvement, any thing in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

SECT. III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the said president, managers and company to erect their locks any number of feet in length not less than seventy, and in width not less than seventeen in the clear, the act to which this is a supplement to the contrary notwithstanding: and that so much of the act to which this is a supplement, as requires the said president, managers and company to make forty feet in width of their dams in the main channel, fifteen inches lower than any other part of such dam, shall not prevent them from giving such lateral slope to the said fall of fifteen inches as they shall find most convenient, nor from reducing such depressed part to any size not less than thirty feet in width and twelve inches in depth, where the same ought in their judgment to be so reduced.

SECT. IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of the act to which this is a supplement, as is hereby altered or supplied, be, and the same hereby is repealed, and that the limitation contained in the twenty-first section thereof, be, and the same hereby is extended to five years after the passing of this act, for beginning, and ten years thereafter for completing the said work.

REES HILL, *Speaker*  
of the House of Representatives.  
JOHN TOD, *Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

SIMON SNYDER.

## CHAPTER CXLII.

A SUPPLEMENT to the act, entitled “An act for the sale of the residue of the reserve tract of land at the mouth of Big Beaver creek.”

SECT. I. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*