

CHAPTER LXXV.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the Bible Society of Philadelphia."

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 each person on becoming a member of the said society, shall on his admission and annually thereafter pay to the said society for their use, such sum as the society shall by their order from time to time think proper to establish, provided that the same do not exceed the sum of five dollars; and that each person who shall subscribe and pay to the said society thirty dollars or more, shall be a member during life, without any further or annual contribution.

The Society may establish the sum payable on admission and annually. § 30 to constitute a membership for life.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the third article of the third section of the act to which this a supplement, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

WILLIAM DAVIDSON, *Speaker*
of the *House of Representatives.*

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER LXXVI.

AN ACT

Authorising the incorporation of the Pittsburg and Steubenville Turnpike Road Company.

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 Alexander Murray, John Field, Alexander Wilson, Jonathan W. Condy, John Purdon and John Steele of the city of Philadelphia; James Ross, Dennis S. Scully, Hen-

Commissioners named. ry Baldwin and Andrew Scott of the city of Pittsburg; William Brown, Samuel E. Marks, Andrew M'Curdy, James Beatty, Alexander M'Farland of the county of Allegheny; James Christy, James Briceland, John Duncan, John Buchanan and James Proudfoot of the county of Washington, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, They or a majority of them shall on or before the first day of August next procure three or more books and enter therein as follows:

Books to be procured. " We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay to the President, Managers and Company of the Pittsburg and Steubenville Turnpike Road company, the sum of fifty dollars for every share of stock in the said company set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the said president and managers of the said company, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled ' An act authorising the incorporation of the Pittsburg and Steubenville Turnpike Road company,' witness our hands the _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____

Engagement of subscribers. And the said commissioners or a majority of them shall give notice in one newspaper printed in the city of Philadelphia, and two printed in the city of Pittsburg, and one in the town of Washington for one calender month, of the times and places where the said books shall be opened to receive subscriptions of stock for the said company, at which respective times and places two or more of said commissioners shall attend and permit all persons of lawful age who shall offer to subscribe in the said books in their own names, or the names of any other person or persons who shall duly authorise the same, for any number of shares in the said stock; and the said books shall be kept open respectively for the purpose aforesaid, at least six hours in every juridical day for the space of six days, or until the said books have two thousand shares subscribed; or if at the expiration of the said six days the books as aforesaid shall not have the said two thousand shares subscribed, then the said commissioners may adjourn from time to time, and from place to place until the whole number of shares be subscribed, of which adjournments the commissioners aforesaid shall give such public notice as the occasion may require, and when the whole number of shares subscribed shall amount to two thousand five hundred, the same shall be closed: *Provided always*, That every person offering to subscribe in the said books in his own name, or the name of any other person, shall previously pay to the attending commissioner or commissioners, the sum of two dollars for every share to be subscribed, out of which shall be defrayed the expenses attending in taking such subscriptions and other incidental charges, and the remainder shall be paid over to the treasurer of the said corporation as soon as the

Notice to be given.

Subscriptions to be received.

Books to be kept open till 2,000 shares are subscribed.

Power to adjourn.

Proviso.

§ 2 to be paid on subscribing.

same shall be organised, and the officers chosen as hereinafter mentioned.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That when fifty persons or more have subscribed five hundred or more shares of the said stock, the said commissioners respectively may; or when the whole number of shares aforesaid shall be subscribed, they shall under their hands and seals certify to the Governor the names of the subscribers, and the number of shares subscribed by each, and thereupon it shall be lawful for the Governor by letters patent under his hand and the seal of the state, to create and erect the subscribers, and if the subscription be not full at the time, then also those who shall afterwards subscribe to the number aforesaid, into one body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of "The Pittsburg and Steubenville Turnpike Road Company," and by the said name the said subscribers shall have perpetual succession, and all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and shall be capable of taking and holding their capital stock and the increase and profits thereof, and of enlarging the same from time to time by new subscriptions, in such manner and form as they shall think proper if such enlargement shall be found necessary to fulfil the intent of this act, and of purchasing, taking and holding to them and their successors and assigns, and of selling, transferring and conveying in fee simple or for any lesser estate, all such lands, tenements, hereditaments, and estate real and personal, as shall be necessary to them in the prosecution of their works, and of suing and being sued, and of doing all and every other matter and thing which a corporation or body politic may lawfully do.

When letters patent may issue.

Style and title.

Rights and privileges.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the commissioners aforesaid, as soon as conveniently may be after the letters patent shall be sealed and obtained, shall give notice in one newspaper printed in the city of Philadelphia, two newspapers printed in the city of Pittsburg, and one in the town of Washington, of a time and place by them appointed not less than twenty days from the publication of the first notice, at which time and place the said subscribers shall proceed to organise the said corporation, and shall choose by a majority of votes of the said subscribers then present by ballot, to be delivered in person or by proxy duly authorised, one president, eight managers, one treasurer, and such other officers as they shall think necessary to conduct the business of the said company for one year, and until such other officers shall be duly chosen; and the said managers so chosen and their successors, shall and may make such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations not inconsistent with the constitution or laws of the United States or of this state, as shall be necessary for the well ordering the affairs of the company, and generally have like powers, authorities and privileges necessary for carrying on and com-

Mode of organising the corporation.

Officers to be chosen.

Power to make by-laws

Placed on the same footing as the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road company.

Proviso.

2d proviso.

Route of the road.

When and how the road may be viewed and examined.

Gates erected.

Proceeding if the legislature think proper to take possession of the road.

pleting the said turnpike road, and be subject to all the duties, qualifications, restrictions, penalties, fines and forfeitures, and be entitled to like tolls and profits in proportion to the distance as are given and granted to the president, managers and company of the Harrisburg and Pittsburg Turnpike road, by an act passed the twenty-fourth day of February one thousand eight hundred and six: *Provided*, That no toll shall be demanded or taken from any person passing or repassing from one part of his farm to another, or to or from any place of public worship, funeral, militia training, general or special election, or from any student or child going to or from any school or seminary of learning: *And provided also*, That if the company shall not proceed to carry on the work in five years after the passing of this act, or shall not within ten years complete the said road according to the true intent and meaning of this act, then in either of these cases, all and singular the rights, liberties and franchises hereby granted to the said company shall revert to the commonwealth.

SECT. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That as soon as the company shall have been organised as aforesaid, they shall proceed to lay out and make said road by the way of Monteur's meeting house in Allegheny county, Briceland's cross roads in Washington county, from thence to the state line in a direction towards Steubenville; and as soon as five miles or more of the road aforesaid shall have been completed, the president and directors shall give notice thereof to the Governor, who shall thereupon nominate and appoint three skilful, disinterested and judicious persons to view and examine the same who shall be under oath or affirmation, and report to him whether the road is made and executed in a competent and workmanlike manner; and if their report shall be in the affirmative, then the Governor shall by license under his hand and seal of the commonwealth, permit and suffer the president and managers to erect and fix such and so many gates or turnpikes upon and across the said road as will be necessary and sufficient to collect the tolls which the company respectively shall be entitled to demand and receive.

SECT. 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That if the legislature should at any time after the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty, think proper to take possession of said road, three persons shall be appointed by the Governor, three persons by the president and managers of the said company, and three by the judges of the supreme court, who are hereby required to appoint the same, who or any six or more of them not having any interest in the said road, shall proceed to examine and estimate the value of the property which the said company have therein, and certify the amount thereof to the Governor, who shall cause the same to be laid before the legislature at their next session, and whenever the amount so certified shall be paid by the state to the

said company, their right to take toll on the said road, together with all their right, title, claim and interest therein shall cease and determine.

WILLIAM DAVIDSON, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

ISAAC WEAVER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

WILLIAM FINDLAY.

CHAPTER LXXVII.

AN ACT

Declaring the west branch of Oil Creek in the county of Crawford, a public highway.

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 from and after the passing of this act, the west branch of Oil creek from the upper forks thereof at M'Crat's now Winten's mill up to James Hamilton's mill in Bloomfield township, in the county of Crawford, shall be, and the same is hereby declared a public highway for the passage of rafts, boats and other vessels, and it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants desirous of using or promoting the navigation of said creek, to remove all natural or artificial obstructions which may be in the same, excepting bridges, dams for mills and other water works, and also to erect such slopes at the mill dams now built or that may hereafter be built on said creek as may be necessary for the passage of rafts, boats and other vessels: Provided, Such slopes be so constructed as not to injure the work of said dams, or to alter the head or fall of said stream: And provided also, That any person or persons owning or possessing lands on said creek shall have liberty to construct any dam or dams across the same agreeably and subject to all the restrictions and provisions of an act of the General Assembly of this commonwealth, passed the twenty-third day of March one thousand eight hundred and three, entitled "An act to authorise any person or persons owning land adjoining navigable streams of water de-*

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