

work done on said section, they are hereby required, to direct payment thereof by the proper superintendent, as may appear due on the canal commissioners' books.

FREDK. SMITH,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

WM. G. HAWKINS,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—The fourth day of April, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

GEO. WOLF.

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No. 201.

AN ACT

Authorising the court of common pleas of the county of Berks, to direct the docket of Adolph Hatzfield, to be delivered to some other justice of the peace, and to appoint a committee to take charge of the property of said Adolph Hatzfield.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, it has been represented to the legislature, that Adolph Hatzfield, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Berks, in the month of August last past, was convicted of the crime of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to be punished, by imprisonment for twelve years, in the eastern penitentiary of this commonwealth, and that many cases upon the dockets of said Adolph Hatzfield, remain unsettled; and also, that he has many unsettled accounts, and owes some debts, for the settlement of which he has made no provision: Therefore,

Court of common pleas to direct transfer.

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 the court of common pleas of Berks county be, and the said court hereby is authorised and empowered, to order and direct the dockets of Adolph Hatzfield, a justice of the peace in and for said county, to be delivered to any other justice of the peace of said county, who shall be designated by said court, together with all bonds, notes, books and papers, belonging to other persons, and placed in the hands of said Adolph Hatzfield, as a justice of the peace as aforesaid; and to enforce obedience to such order by attachment, in such manner as said court shall, in its discretion, see fit.

Authority to justice selected.

SECT. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the justice of the peace, to whom the aforesaid dockets shall be delivered, as hereinbefore directed, shall issue process, and proceed in and upon all actions, suits, and judgments, entered or contained in said dockets, in the same

manner, and with like effect, as the said Adolph Hatzfield might or could have done, had he continued to hold the same, and act as a justice of the peace in and for the county of Berks, aforesaid.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That upon the application of any creditor of the said Adolph Hatzfield, or any other person interested, the said court of common pleas be, and the said court hereby is further authorised and empowered, to appoint some competent person or persons, as a committee to take charge of the property and estate of the said Adolph Hatzfield; which committee so appointed, shall, under the direction of said court, have and possess the same power and authority to take charge and dispose of the property and estate, real and personal, of the said Adolph Hatzfield, that committees of the estates of lunatics, or persons non compos mentis, by the existing laws, now have, to take charge and dispose of the property and estates of which they severally are legally appointed committees; and also to sell and convey the same, for the payment of the debts of the said Adolph Hatzfield; and for the maintenance of his wife, under like restrictions and in like manner as such committees as aforesaid, may or can sell and convey the property and estates, severally committed to their charge: *Provided,* That the committee who shall be appointed as aforesaid, shall give such security for the faithful discharge of their trust, as shall be required by the aforesaid court, and be accountable for the property that shall come to their hands, in like manner as committees of the estates of lunatics are accountable.

On application of person interested court to appoint a committee to take charge of estate of A. Hatzfield.

Proviso. Security of persons appointed.

FREDK. SMITH,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

WM. G. HAWKINS,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—The fourth day of April, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

GEO. WOLF.

No. 202.

AN ACT

For the relief of Washington College.

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 the State Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay to the trustees of Washington college, \$500 annually, for five years,