

in twenty days transmit to each of the persons elected, a certificate of his election, and it shall be the duty of the Governor, on the receipt of the returns transmitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to declare by proclamation, the names of the respective persons returned to him as duly elected in each district, and he shall also, as soon as conveniently may be thereafter, transmit the said returns so made to him to the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States: *Provided*, That where any district is composed of a single county, the return of the election of member of Congress shall be made at the same time as the returns of the election of members of the Legislature of this state: *Provided further*, That the aforesaid arrangement of districts shall not be construed to apply to the filling of vacancies which may occur, by death, resignation or otherwise, in the representation of this state in the present Congress of the United States; but such vacancies shall be filled as though this act had not been passed.

Governor to proclaim persons elected.  
To transmit returns to Congress.  
Proviso.  
Of districts formed by a single county.  
2d proviso.  
Of vacancies in present Congress.

JOHN LAPORTE,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

J. R. BURDEN,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—The ninth day of June, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two.

GEO. WOLF.

No. 228.

### AN ACT

To appropriate the legacy of Stephen Girard, to improvement by canal navigation.

WHEREAS, the late Stephen Girard has bequeathed to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the sum of three hundred thousand dollars for the purposes of improvement by canal navigation, which sum is in the treasury unappropriated: 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 the canal commissioners be and they are hereby authorized to apply the said sum of three hundred thousand dollars, to the construction of canal navigation, agreeably to

\$300,000 appropriate to Branch 21.

Certain authority to canal comm'rs.

the provisions of the will of the late Setphen Girard, deceased upon the several canals embraced in the act, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act relative to the Pennsylvania canals and rail-roads, passed the thirtieth of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two;" and in completing the unfinished balance of so much of the French creek feeder as may be necessary to connect with Conneaut lake and French creek; and in performing their duties under the said act and this act, where the better completion of the work requires a change from slack water to canal, it shall be lawful for the canal commissioners to make contracts for that purpose.

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GEO. WOLF.

No. 229.

AN ACT

Authorizing the Governor to incorporate the Strasburg rail-road, the Williamsport and Elmira rail-road, the Marietta and Columbia rail-road, the Portsmouth and Lancaster rail-road, and incorporating a company to make the Oxford rail-road.

Strasburg rail-road.

Comm'rs. to open books, &c.

Form of subscription.

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 William Wilson and Henry Witmer, of the city of Philadelphia, Peter Osborne of the borough of West Chester, in the county of Chester; James Given, Evan Greene, Frederick Hambright, George L. Mayer, Michael Musselman, Jacob Eshelman, Jacob Hoover, George Dissenbach, junior, Abraham Smith, David Shirk, junior, and Joseph S. Lafever, of the county of Lancaster, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several things hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, they, or any three of them shall procure a sufficient number of suitable books, and in each of them enter as follows, viz: "We and each of us whose names are hereunto subscribed, do