

their respective orders, the sum of forty dollars immediately, and an annuity of forty dollars, payable half yearly during life, to commence on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

SECTION 2. The State Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and required to pay unto Alexander Wright, of Mercer county, or to his order, the sum of forty dollars, immediately, as a compensation for his revolutionary services. Gratuity to Alex. Wright.

SECTION 3. The State Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and required to pay unto Jane Read, of Chester county, or to her order, the sum of forty dollars, immediately, in full of all claims. Gratuity to Jane Read.

WM. PATTERSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THO'S. RINGLAND,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.

No. 33.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Dingman's Choice and Delaware Bridge Company.

SECTION 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 capital stock of the Dingman's Choice and Delaware bridge company, for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at Dingman's ferry, in Pike county, shall amount to fifteen thousand dollars, and that the same shall be divided into shares of fifty dollars each; and the subscribers to the said capital stock shall pay the sum or sums of money for the share or shares by them respectively subscribed, at such periods, and in such proportions, as the directors of said company may determine. Capital, \$15000.
\$50 a share.

SECTION 2. Jacob Westbrook, Daniel W. Dingman, William Overfield and Garret Brodhead, junior, are hereby appointed commissioners on the part of this state, who, with the commissioners to be appointed by the state of New Jersey, shall be authorized to receive subscriptions to the said capital stock, at such times and places as they, or a majority of them may direct, giving notice thereof in a newspaper published in the county of Pike; and if no paper is published in said county, then in a paper published in Northampton or Wayne counties, and also in a paper published in the county of Sussex, in the Comm'rs in conjunction with com'rs appointed by N. Jersey, or a majority of them, to receive subscriptions.

state of New Jersey, for at least twenty days, of the times and places when and where the said subscriptions shall be received; and at the time of subscribing for the said stock, five dollars shall be paid on each share subscribed for, to the commissioners, or some of them, which money shall be paid over to the treasurer of the company, as soon as one shall be appointed, and that the residue of the subscriptions shall be paid in such instalments, and at such times and places, and to such persons as the president and directors of the company shall from time to time direct, and give public notice of; and upon failure of payment thereof, as so directed, for thirty days thereafter, the said president and directors shall have power to forfeit the shares of each and every person so failing to pay the said instalments, or any of them, to and for the use of said company: *Provided*, That if the number of shares subscribed for shall exceed the amount or number of shares authorized by this act to be subscribed for, that then the said commissioners shall apportion the said stock among such subscribers, in proportion to the amount or number of shares by them subscribed as aforesaid.

Shares forfeited in case of failure.

Proviso.

How apportioned stock among subscribers.

When 200 shares subscribed for, co. shall be incorporated. Style of co.

Privileges & liabilities.

200 shares subscribed, notice to be given.

Officers, how chosen.

SECTION 3. When two hundred shares are subscribed for, the persons holding the same shall be, and they are hereby incorporated into a company, by the name of "Dingman's Choice and Delaware bridge company," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation; and shall be capable of taking and holding their said 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, in fee simple, or for any less estate, all such lands, tenements, hereditaments and estates, real and personal, as may be necessary and convenient to them in the prosecution of their work, and the same to sell and dispose of at their pleasure, 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.

SECTION 4. As soon as two hundred shares of the said capital stock shall be subscribed as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to give notice in a newspaper published in the county of Pike, and if no paper is published in said county, then in a paper published in the county of Northampton or Wayne, and one newspaper printed in the county of Sussex, in the state of New Jersey, of the time of the meeting of said stockholders, at Dingman's Choice, in the county of Pike aforesaid, not less than thirty days from the time of issuing said notice, at which time and place the said stockholders shall proceed to organize the said company, and shall choose by ballot, by a majority of votes, to be delivered in person or by proxy, one president, six directors, one treasurer, and

such other officers as they shall think necessary to conduct the business of the said company for one year, and until other officers shall be appointed, and make such by-laws and regulations not inconsistent with the laws and constitution of this state, or of the United States, as shall be necessary for well ordering the affairs of the said company; and also, at the meeting aforesaid, the said stockholders shall elect, by ballot, three commissioners, who shall, within thirty days from the said election, fix upon the site or location of said bridge, and return a survey of the same to the president of said company: *Provided always*, That no person shall have more than ten votes at any election, or in determining any question arising at such meeting, whatever number of shares he may be entitled to, and that each person shall be entitled to one vote for every share by him held, not exceeding ten. Proviso.

SECTION 5. The said stockholders shall meet on the second Monday in November, in every succeeding year, at such place as shall be fixed on by the by-laws of said company, for the purpose of choosing such officers for the ensuing year. Stockholders, time of meeting.

SECTION 6. The president and directors first to be chosen as aforesaid, shall issue certificates of stock to the several stockholders respectively, signed by the president and countersigned by the treasurer of the said company, which certificates shall be transferable at his or her pleasure, in person or by attorney, subject, however, to the payments due and that may grow due thereon; and the assignee holding any certificate, having first caused the assignment or transfer to be entered in a book of the company, to be kept by the treasurer for that purpose, shall, for every share of stock so held by him or her, be entitled to his or her equal proportion of the said capital stock, and of all the estates and emoluments of the company, and to vote as aforesaid, at the meetings thereof. President and directors first chosen to issue certificates of stock.
How transferable.

SECTION 7. The said president and directors shall meet at such times and places, and be convened in such manner as shall be agreed on for transacting their business at such meetings; five members shall be a quorum, who, in the absence of the president, may choose a chairman, and shall keep minutes of all their transactions fairly entered in a book, and a quorum being met, they shall have full power and authority to agree with and appoint such engineers, superintendents, artists and other officers, as they shall think necessary to carry on the said bridge, and to complete the same, and to fix the salaries and other wages; to determine the time, manner and proportions in which the stockholders shall pay the money due on their respective shares; to draw orders on the treasurer for all moneys that may be required, the same to be signed by the president or chairman, and countersigned by the clerk of the board, and to do and transact all matters and things, as by the laws and regulations of said company shall be lawful. President and directors to meet at such place as shall be agreed upon; 5 members to be a quorum.
Their general powers.

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& directors
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owners to
purchase re-
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If no agree-
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place, how to
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Report what
sum shall be
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Report, after
confirmation,
to be filed in
proth'y's of-
fice.

Arbitrators
fees.

Proviso.

SECTION 8. After the place for the erection of said bridge shall be fixed as aforesaid, and before the president and directors shall proceed to erect the same, it shall and may be lawful for the said president and directors to contract and agree with the owner or owners of any lands and tenements, for the purchase of so much thereof as shall be necessary, for the purpose of erecting and perfecting said bridge, and making and establishing all necessary works and roads to and from the same, if they can agree with the owner or owners of the same; but in case they cannot agree, then it shall and may be lawful for the said president and directors to apply to one of the judges of the Court of Common Pleas in the county of Pike, in this state, not being a stockholder or otherwise interested, who, upon such application, is hereby authorized and directed to appoint three discreet and disinterested freeholders of this state, who, after being duly sworn or affirmed before any justice of the peace, faithfully to perform the duties enjoined on them by this act, shall proceed to view and examine the said banks, and all such lands and tenements as shall be necessary for the purpose of erecting and perfecting the said bridge, and making and establishing all necessary works and roads to and from the same; and shall, according to the best of their skill and judgment, ascertain and estimate the injury and damages that will be sustained by the owner or owners of such lands and tenements so necessary to be taken as aforesaid, and shall report what sum shall be paid by the said company for the same, which report shall be made in writing, under their hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any two of them, and shall return the same, together with a map describing the metes and bounds, of such lands and tenements to the Court of Common Pleas of said county of Pike aforesaid, next after they shall have agreed upon, and signed the same, and the said report having been confirmed by the said court, shall be filed in the prothonotary's office, with the map aforesaid, and the said president and directors, having paid the said owners respectively, or tendered them the several sums awarded to be paid to them, in and by the said report, together with the fees of the said arbitrators, at the rate of two dollars to each arbitrator, for every day employed in the said business, and their necessary expenses, the said company, shall be entitled to have and to hold, to them and their successors and assigns forever, the said lands and tenements, as fully and effectually as if the same had been granted to them by the respective owner or owners thereof, and it shall and may be lawful thereupon and not before, for the said president and directors, to enter upon the said lands and tenements, and to commence and to complete the erection of said bridge: *Provided*, That there shall be paid to the prothonotary of said county aforesaid, the necessary court fees for a confirmation of the report of said freeholders, and the sum of two dollars to the prothonotary for entering the same.

SECTION 9. The president and directors of said company shall keep fair and just accounts of all moneys received by them from the stockholders, and of the amount of the profits on shares that may be forfeited as aforesaid, and of all voluntary contributions, and also of all moneys by them received and expended in the prosecution of said work; and shall, at least once in each year, submit such accounts to a general meeting of the stockholders, until the said bridge be completed, and until all costs, charges and expenses, for effecting the same, shall be fully paid and discharged, and the aggregate amount of all such expenses shall be liquidated and ascertained.

President & directors to keep fair and just accounts of moneys received.

Submit annually accounts to a general meeting.

SECTION 10. When a good and complete bridge is erected over the said river Delaware, at the place aforesaid, the property of the said bridge shall be vested in the said company, their successors and assigns, forever; and the said company, their successors and assigns, may demand and receive toll from travellers and others, not to exceed the following rates, viz.: For every coach, landau, chariot, phaeton, or other pleasure carriage, with four wheels, drawn by four horses, the sum of fifty cents, and for the like carriages, with two horses, the sum of thirty-seven and a half cents; for every wagon, with four horses, the sum of fifty cents, and for every wagon of the same description, drawn by two horses, the sum of thirty-one and a fourth cents; for every chaise, riding chair, sulkey, cart, or other two wheeled carriages, or sleigh, or sled, with two horses, the sum of thirty-one and a fourth cents, and for the same with one horse, the sum of eighteen and three-fourths cents; for a single horse and rider, the sum of twelve and a half cents; for every driven horse, or mule, the sum of six and a quarter cents; for every foot passenger, the sum of two cents; for every head of horned cattle, the sum of three cents; for every sheep or swine, the sum of one cent: *Provided*, That all persons going to and returning from funerals, persons going to and returning from meeting or church, and children going to and returning from school, shall pass free of toll: *And provided further*, That the said company shall so erect said bridge, as in no wise to injure, stop, or intercept the navigation of said river, or prevent boats or rafts from passing, or persons from fording said river.

Upon completion of bridge property vested in comp'y, and right to receive toll.

Rates of toll.

Proviso.
Free passengers.
2d proviso.

SECTION 11. If any person or persons shall wilfully cut, destroy, break, or remove from the said bridge, or any part thereof, any piece or pieces of timber, plank or planks, stone or stones, chain or chains, bolt or bolts, or any other material whatsoever, belonging to said bridge, or otherwise wilfully or maliciously damage the same, he, she, or they so offending, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence, over and above the damages done to the said bridge, the sum of thirty dollars, to be recovered in any court having cognizance thereof.

Penalty may be enforced against persons doing wilful injury.

SECTION 12. If the said company, their successors and assigns, and whosoever shall own or possess the said bridge, shall

Penalty on extortion, neglect, &c. collect or demand any greater rate or prices for passing over on said bridge, than what are herein before prescribed and specified, or shall neglect to keep the said bridge in good repair, he, she, or they so offending, shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay the sum of thirty dollars, one-third thereof for the use of the poor of the county of Pike, in Pennsylvania, and one-third thereof for the use of the poor of the county of Sussex, in the state of New Jersey, and the other third thereof for the use of the person or persons who may sue for the same : *Provided always*, That no suit or action shall be brought for the same, unless within thirty days after such offence shall be committed.

Proviso.

SECTION 13. The said president and directors shall have power to agree with any owner or owners of ferries, or shad fisheries, that may be injured by the erection of said bridge, and to compensate them for any damages they may thereby sustain ; and if they cannot agree with such owner or owners, then, and in such cases, the damages shall be ascertained and paid in the same manner as is provided for in the eighth section of this act : *Provided*, That no person shall receive any compensation for ferrying at any ferry which shall have been purchased, and paid for, by the said company, after the bridge shall have been completed.

Compensat'n allowed for injuries done.

Proviso.

SECTION 14. The said president, directors and company, shall also keep a just and true account of all and every moneys received by them by their respective collectors of tolls, for crossing the said bridge, and shall make and declare a dividend of the profits and income thereof, among all the stockholders of said company, deducting first therefrom all contingent costs and charges, and such proportion of said income as may be deemed necessary for a growing fund to provide against the decay, and for the rebuilding and repairing of the said bridge ; and shall, on every first Monday in May and November, in each and every year, publish the dividend to be made of the said clear profits thereof, amongst the stockholders, and of the time and place when and where the same shall be paid, and shall cause the same to be paid accordingly.

Semi-annual declaration of dividends.

SECTION 15. This act shall not take effect, or go into operation, until the legislature of the state of New Jersey shall pass a law appointing commissioners on their part, and vesting like power and authority in the subscribers to the said capital stock, of erecting a bridge at the place aforesaid, and of extending the same from shore to shore, with as full and ample powers, privileges, franchises and emoluments, as to the said company are hereby given.

Not to go into operation until N. Jersey appoint commissioners & vest like powers in the subscribers.

SECTION 16. The said company shall not employ any of their funds in any banking or insurance companies, nor issue

No banking privileges allowed.

any notes or checks in the form of bank notes, or make use of any banking privileges.

WM. PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THO'S. RINGLAND,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.

No. 34.

AN ACT

To relinquish the title of this Commonwealth to certain real estate in Darby township, in the county of Delaware, lately held by Joseph Wood, and to vest the same in his widow, Rachel Wood.

SECTION 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 all the right, title, and interest of this Commonwealth, of, in, and to a certain piece or parcel of land, containing about sixty acres, together with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, situate in the township of Darby, in the county of Delaware, and bounded by lands of the heirs of Nathaniel Newlin, deceased, the lands of Isaac Bartram, and others, late the property of Joseph Wood, be, and the same hereby are forever remised and released to Rachel Wood, widow of the said Joseph Wood, and that she shall have, hold, and enjoy the said premises, to herself, her heirs and assigns, forever: *Provided always,* That nothing contained in this act shall in any wise prejudice the rights of any individual, or be construed to divest or impair any other title to the said premises, than that which this Commonwealth has or might have in the same.

WM. PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THO'S. RINGLAND,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of February, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.