

No. 65.

An Act

To authorize the Canal Commissioners to settle and adjust the claim of damages of Samuel Talmage and Robert Criswell, Hugh Bigham and the heirs of Daniel Carey.

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 it shall be the duty of the Canal Commissioners to ascertain the amount of damages sustained by Samuel Talmage and Robert Criswell, and Hugh Bigham, in the carrying away and destruction of their salt, and injuries done to their salt works, erected and established previously to the construction of the dams and public works on the Kiskiminetas river, by the flood in the month of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-two, and if in their opinion, the said loss was occasioned by the construction of dams by the State in the said river, and without any negligence on the part of the claimants, then to report the amount of damages they shall think the said Criswell and Talmage, and the said Hugh Bigham, shall in equity and justice, be entitled to, which sum so reported, shall be paid out of the damage fund, as in other cases of damages sustained by reason of the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, in such proportions to each, as may appear to be just and right, and that the sums so assessed, when paid, shall be in full of all claims for damages in the premises: *Provided,* That the said damages so assessed, shall not exceed the sum of one thousand dollars in the case of Talmage and Criswell, and one thousand dollars in the case of Hugh Bigham.

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SECTION 2. The Canal Commissioners shall ascertain the amount of damage sustained by Daniel Carey, of Luzerne county, or his legal representatives, in consequence of the breach in the Nanticoke dam and guard wall, at the time of the flood in the river Susquehanna, in the spring of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, the amount so assessed, to be paid out of the damage fund: *Provided,* The said damages so assessed, shall not exceed five hundred dollars: *And provided,* That no damages shall be allowed except for the land destroyed, without reference to any buildings or improvements thereon erected since the completion of the canal: *And provided,* That the Canal Commissioners shall assess the said damages under the provi-

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sions of the existing laws for the assessment of damages sustained by reason of the construction of the public works.

JAMES THOMPSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JACOB KERN,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five.

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No. 66.

An Act

Relative to Banks.

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 several banks in this Commonwealth now subject by law, to the payment of a tax on their dividends, shall hereafter pay into the Treasury of this Commonwealth, in the manner now directed by law, eight per cent. on all dividends which do not exceed six per cent. per annum; on dividends exceeding six per cent. and not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, a tax of nine per cent. on such dividends; and on dividends exceeding seven per cent. per annum, and not exceeding eight per cent., the said banks shall pay a tax of ten per cent.; and on dividends exceeding eight per cent. per annum, such banks shall pay a tax of eleven per cent.: *Provided,* That the provisions of this act shall not include the Girard bank, the Western bank of Philadelphia, the Manufacturers and Mechanics' bank of the Northern Liberties, the Moyamensing bank, the Merchants and Manufacturers' bank of Pittsburg, the Lumbermens bank at Warren, and the Towanda bank.

JAMES THOMPSON,
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