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JAMES THOMPSON,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The ninth day of April, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and thirty-five.

GEO: WOLF.

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No 84.

### An Act

To incorporate the Neversink Fire Engine 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 all and every the persons who shall at the time of the passing of this act be members of the association called the "Neversink Fire Engine company" of Reading, in the county of Berks, shall be and they are hereby created and declared to be one body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of the "Neversink Fire Engine company;" and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, in all courts of record or elsewhere; and to purchase, receive, have, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises and hereditaments, goods and chattels, of what nature, kind or quality soever, real, personal and mixed, or choses in action; and the same from time to time to sell, grant, devise, alien or dispose of: *Provided,* That the clear yearly value or income of the necessary houses, lands and tenements, rents, annuities, or other hereditaments and real estate of the said corporation, and the interest of the money by it lent, shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars. And also to make and have a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at pleasure; and also to ordain, establish and put in execution, such by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as shall appear necessary and convenient for the government of the said corporation, not being contrary to this charter, or the constitution and laws of the United States or of this Commonwealth; and generally to do all and singular the matters and things which to them it shall lawfully appertain to do, for the well-being of the said corpora-

- tion and the due management and ordering of the affairs thereof:
- 2d Proviso. *Provided*, That nothing in this act contained shall be deemed to authorize the said company to engage, directly or indirectly, in any banking, monied, commercial, mining or manufacturing concerns, or to act in any other way than as a fire company:
- 3d Proviso. *And provided also*, That this act shall continue in force fifteen years from the passing thereof, and no longer, for the purpose aforesaid; and the Legislature reserves the right to alter, amend or annul this charter at any time hereafter.

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No. 85.

### An Act

To legalize a certain marriage contract between Nathaniel Bell and Margaret Bell, late Margaret Marks of Juniata county, so far as to legitimate their offspring.

Names of the children.

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 marriage contract entered into between Nathaniel Bell and Margaret Marks, of Juniata county, on the first day of September, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, which, in consequence of the wilful desertion, and long continued absence of the former wife of the said Nathaniel Bell, was at the time of its consummation by the contracting parties, erroneously supposed to be legal, be and the same is hereby declared to be legal and valid, so far as to legitimate and remove all legal disabilities from the offspring of the said Nathaniel and Margaret, incurred in consequence of said illegal marriage, up to the time of their subsequent legal marriage on the eighteenth day of November, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four; and the children of the said Nathaniel and Margaret Marks (now Margaret Bell,) namely Mary, Ann, Elizabeth, William, Rebecca, Ephraim and Samuel Bell, shall have