

- 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.

JAMES THOMPSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JACOB KERN,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

GEO: WOLF.



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

and enjoy all the right, benefits and advantages of children born in lawful wedlock, and shall be able and capable in law to inherit and transmit any estate whatever, as fully and completely, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been born subsequently to the legal marriage of their aforesaid parents.

JAMES THOMPSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JACOB KERN,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

GEO: WOLF.



No. 86.

An Act

To confer on Amelia Wenrick the rights and benefits of a child born in lawful wedlock.

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 Amelia, the daughter of Peter Wenrick, of Dauphin county, and Catharine Wenrick, (late Catharine Dickey, of the same county,) and born some time before the marriage of the said Peter and Catharine, shall have and enjoy all the rights, benefits and advantages of a child born in lawful wedlock; and shall be able and capable in law to inherit and transmit any estate whatsoever, as fully and completely, to all intents and purposes, as if she had been born subsequently to the marriage of her aforesaid parents.

JAMES THOMPSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JACOB KERN,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

GEO: WOLF