

**SECTION 74.** The electors of the township of Lycoming, in Lycoming, the county of Lycoming, shall hereafter hold their general elec- Lycoming co. tions at the house of Nicholas Funston, in the town of Newber- ry, in said township.

**SECTION 75.** The district composed of parts of the town- Bloom, Mount ships of Bloom, Mount Pleasant and Fishing creek, in the county Pleasant and of Columbia, agreeably to a survey lately made for the purpose, Fishing crk. shall be a separate election district, and the citizens thereof shall Columbia co. hold their general elections at the house of Jacob Shoemaker, in said district.

JAMES THOMPSON,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,  
Speaker of the Senate.

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

GEO: WOLF.

No. 175.

**An Act**

To incorporate the Yardleyville 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 Yardleyville Delaware bridge company, for the purpose of erecting a bridge over the river Delaware at the town of Yardleyville, in the county of Bucks, shall amount to twenty thousand dollars, with the privilege of increasing the same to thirty thousand dollars; and that the same shall be divided into 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 the said company may determine.

Capital stock \$20,000, with privilege of increasing to \$30,000.  
\$50 per share

**SECTION 2.** James Worth, Lewis S. Coryell, Jolly Longshore, Michael H. Jenks, Thomas Janny, Courtland Yardley and Theodore Morris of Bucks county, are hereby appointed commissioners on the part of this State; who, with commissioners appointed by the Commonwealth of New Jersey, shall be authorized to receive subscriptions to said capital stock at such times and places as they or a majority of them may direct, giving notice thereof in the newspapers printed in the county of Bucks, in this State, and two of the newspapers

Commissioners on part of this State.

Subscriptions

Notice.

\$5 on each  
share.

Instalments.

Power to  
forfeit shares.  
Proviso.

When 300  
shares subsc.  
co. may be  
incorporated.  
Name.  
Privileges.

Organization  
of company.

1 President,  
6 directors &  
other officers.

Proviso.

printed in the county of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey for at least twenty days, of the times and places when and where the said subscriptions shall be received, and the time of subscribing for the said stock; five dollars shall be paid upon 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 failing to pay the said instalments or any of them, to and for the use of the 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.

SECTION 3. When three hundred shares are subscribed for, the persons holding the same shall be and they are hereby incorporated into a company by the name of the "Yardleyville Delaware bridge company," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable of taking and holding their said capital stock, and the increase and profits thereof, and of purchasing, taking and holding to them and their successors and assigns, in fee simple or for any less estate, such lands as may be necessary in the erection of said bridge and suitable toll houses, and of suing and being sued.

SECTION 4. As soon as three 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 two or more newspapers printed in the county of Bucks, in the State of Pennsylvania, and in the county of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, of a time and place by them to be appointed, not less than thirty days from the time of issuing the said notice, at which time and place the said stockholders shall proceed to organize the said company, and shall proceed to 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 may 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: *Provided always*, That no person shall have more than twenty votes at an election, or in determining any question arising at such meetings 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 twenty.

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

Annual meetings.

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 the profits thereof, and to vote as aforesaid at the meetings thereof.

Certificates to issue to stockholders.

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 fix their salaries and other wages, to determine the times, 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 by-laws or regulations of the said company shall be lawful.

General powers of the president and directors.

SECTION 8. After the place for the erection of the said bridge shall be fixed, and before the said 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 the said bridge and toll houses, 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 justices of the Supreme court of 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

May contract and agree with owners for purchase of lands, &c.

Upon non-agreement, 1 of the justices of the S. Ct. to appoint 3 persons to view and estimate and injury, damage, &c.

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 toll houses, and shall according to the best of their skill and judgment ascertain and estimate the injury and damage 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 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 Supreme court next after they shall have agreed upon and signed the same, and the said report having been confirmed by the said Supreme court, shall be filed in the clerk's office of the said court with the map aforesaid, and the president and managers having paid the said owners respectively 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 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 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 the said bridge.

Report to be filed in Clk's office.

May enter enclosures for material, &c.

Amends for damag's done

**SECTION 9.** It shall and may be lawful for the president and directors aforesaid, their superintendents, engineers and artists of every kind, to enter into and upon all lands and enclosures near to the place where the said bridge is to be built, and to examine the ground for the purpose of obtaining stone, gravel or sand necessary for the building of the said bridge and it shall and may be lawful for the said directors, overseers, superintendents or any other person employed in building the said bridge, to enter with wagons, carts, sleds or sleighs, or beasts of burden or draught of any kind whatsoever, first giving notice to the owners, doing as little damage as possible and repairing any breaches of fences they may have occasion to make, and first making amends for any damages that may be done, which damages that may be done which damages shall be ascertained by the parties if they can agree, or if they cannot agree then by appraisement thereof to be made upon oath or affirmation of three disinterested freeholders of the neighborhood, or any two of them to be mutually chosen, or if the owner or managers or superintendents, engineers or artists, upon due notice shall neglect or refuse to join in the choice, then the said freeholders to be appointed by any justice of the peace of the county, not interested on either side, and the said managers or other persons by them employed as aforesaid, after tender of the appraised value to

the owner, may enter and dig, take and carry away any stone, gravel, sand or earth most conveniently situated for making and repairing said bridge.

SECTION 10. The president and directors of the said company shall keep fair and just accounts of all moneys received by them from the said commissioners and 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 expended in the erection of said bridge and toll houses, 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 the 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.

Accounts to be submitted annually to a general meeting until said bridge is finished and costs, &c. p'd

SECTION 11. 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 aforesaid, 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: For every coach, landau, chariot, phaeton or other pleasurable carriage with four wheels, drawn by four horses, the sum of sixty cents; for the same carriage with two horses, the sum of forty cents; for every wagon with four horses, the sum of fifty cents; for every carriage of the same description drawn by two horses, the sum of forty cents; for every chaise, riding chair, sulkey, cart or other two wheeled carriage, or sleigh or sled with two horses, the sum of thirty-one cents; for the same with one horse, the sum of fifteen cents; for a single horse and rider, the sum of ten cents; for every led or driven horse or mule, the sum of five 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 half a cent: *Provided*, All persons going to and returning from funerals, persons going to and returning from meeting or church, children going to and returning from school, and persons going to and returning from military trainings, shall pass free from toll: *Provided also*, That in fixing the toll of all carriages to be drawn wholly by oxen, or partly by horses and partly by oxen, two oxen shall be estimated equal to one horse; and the said company shall so erect the said bridge as in no wise to injure, stop or interrupt the navigation of the said river, or prevent boats or rafts from passing, or persons from fording the said river.

Property vested in said company.

Tolls.

Proviso.

2d Proviso.

SECTION 12. If any person or persons shall wilfully cut, destroy, break or remove from off 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 materials whatsoever belonging to said bridge or otherwise wilfully or maliciously damage the same, he, she or they so offending,

Penalty for wilful injury.

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 for extortion and neglect to keep bridge in repair,

Proviso.

Compensation to owners of ferries and shad fisheries

Proviso.

Semi annual declaration of dividends.

Law not to go into effect until N. Jersey vest like power, &c.

SECTION 13. If the said company their successors and assigns, and whoever shall own or possess the said bridge, shall collect or demand any greater rate or prices for the passing over the 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 Bucks, in the State of Pennsylvania, and one third thereof for the use of the poor of the township of Hopewell, county of Hunterdon, in New Jersey, and the other third for the use of the person who may sue for the same: *Provided always*, That no suit or action shall be brought, unless within thirty days after such offences shall be committed.

SECTION 14. 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 the 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 case the said damages shall be ascertained and paid in the same manner as is provided for in the ninth 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 said bridge shall have been completed.

SECTION 15. The said president, directors and company shall also keep a just and true account of all and every the moneys received 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 the 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 where and when the same shall be paid, and shall cause the same to be paid accordingly.

SECTION 16. This act shall not take effect or go into operation until the Legislature of the Commonwealth 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.

SECTION 17. Nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to authorize the said bridge company to exercise any banking privileges, or the issuing notes in the form of bank notes or to do any other thing than to erect a bridge over the river Delaware, with suitable toll houses at the place designated in the first section of this act, and the Legislature reserve the right of altering, amending or annulling this charter when they may think proper.

JAMES THOMPSON,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,  
Speaker of the Senate.

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

GEO: WOLF.

No. 176.

## A Supplement

To the act to establish a General System of Education by common schools, passed the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

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 tax authorized to be assessed and levied by the several school divisions and districts by the act entitled "An act to establish a general system of education by common schools," passed the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, (to which this is a supplement,) shall be assessed and levied on the same articles as the State tax is now assessed and levied on, and on all profits of profit, professions, trades, occupations or callings, not exceeding one and a half times the amount assessed on the same for county purposes, and if the taxes so assessed on unseated land, and not otherwise collected, the collection thereof may be enforced in the same manner as the collection of taxes on unseated lands is enforced when assessed for county purposes.

SECTION 2. Where any township or district in any school division, votes in the negative, on the question of accepting the law to which this is a supplement, said township or district shall not be compelled to accept the same, although a majority of the

Township or district voting in the negative, not compelled to accept.