

annuities to be paid in conformity to the existing laws of the commonwealth, by the treasurer of Beaver county.

NER MIDDLESWARTH,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,  
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twelfth day of March, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and thirty-six.

JOS. RITNER.



No. 37.

## An Act

To authorize the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the Allegheny river, from Mechanic's street in the borough of the Northern Liberties of Pittsburg, in Allegheny county.

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 G. E. Warner, G. A. Cook, Jacob Painter,

Commissioners appointed Frederick Lorenze, Nicholas Vaghelty, John Shoneberger, George Miltenberger, W. W. McNair and Robert Watson,

be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned; that is to say, they shall, on or before the first day of July next, procure a book and enter therein as follows: "We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay unto the president, managers and company for erecting a bridge over the Allegheny river, from Mechanic's street in the borough of the Northern Liberties of Pittsburg, the sum of fifty dollars for every share of stock set to our names, respectively, in such proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the president and managers, in pursuance of an act of the general assembly, entitled "An act authorizing the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the Allegheny river;" Witness our hands and seals, the      day of      in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six; and shall, thereupon, give notice in at least two of the newspapers

Form and manner of taking subscriptions of stock.

Price of shares \$50 each.

published in the city of Pittsburg, for one calender month at least, when and where the said books shall be opened to receive subscriptions for the stock of said company, at which respective times and place, at least two of the said commissioners shall attend, and permit all persons of lawful age to subscribe in said book, until the number of twelve hundred shares shall have been subscribed, after which, the books shall be closed; *Provided*, That every person offering to subscribe in said books, in his own, or in the name of any other person, shall previously pay to the attending commissioners, the sum of five dollars for every share to be subscribed, out of which shall be defrayed the expenses attending the taking said subscriptions and other incidental charges, and the remainder shall be paid over to the treasurer of the corporation, as soon as the same shall be organized, and the officers, as hereinafter directed, shall be chosen.

SECTION 2. When twenty or more persons shall have subscribed six hundred or more shares in the said work, the commissioners, or a majority of them, shall certify, under their hands and seals, the names of the subscribers, and the number of shares by them subscribed, to the Governor, and thereupon, it shall be lawful for the Governor, by letters patent, under his hand and seal of the state, to erect and create the subscribers into one body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of the "president and managers and company for erecting a bridge across the Allegheny river, from Mechanic's street in the borough of the Northern Liberties of Pittsburg, in Allegheny county;" and by the said name, the subscribers shall have perpetual succession, and all the privileges, 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, 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, real and personal, as shall be found necessary and convenient to them in the prosecution of their work, and the same to sell and dispose of their pleasure, and of doing all and every other thing which a corporation or body politic may lawfully do.

SECTION 3. The persons named in the letters patent, as soon as conveniently may be, shall give notice in the before mentioned newspapers, of the time and place, by them to be appointed, not less than thirty days from the date of the first notice, at which time and place, the said subscribers shall proceed to organize the said corporation, and shall choose, by a majority of votes of the said subscribers, by ballot, to be

Notice of when and where the books shall be opened.  
Whole number of shares, 1200.  
Proviso.

5 dollars on each share to be paid.

Letters patent.

Style & title.

Powers of the company.

Notice.

Organizing and choosing officers.

delivered in person or proxy, duly authorized, nine managers, and one treasurer, for the term of one year from the date of the aforesaid election; and yearly, and every year thereafter, the said subscribers shall proceed to ballot, as aforesaid, for nine managers and one treasurer; that the said managers so elected and appointed, shall meet, within thirty days from the date of such election, and select one of their number as president for the current year; *Provided*, That every stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each and every share he, she or they may hold, if the number shall not exceed five, and one vote for every three shares above five and under twelve; for every ten shares over twenty; *Provided*, That no stockholder shall be entitled to more than twelve votes.

1st Proviso.

Number of votes.

2d Proviso.

By-laws.

Proviso.

Bridge to be completed in ten years.  
Banking prohibited.

2d Proviso.

SECTION 4. The said president and managers may make such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this state, or of the United States, as shall be necessary for the well ordering of the affairs of the corporation, and, generally, to have all powers, authorities and privileges necessary for completing, maintaining and keeping in repair the said bridge; *Provided*, That if the said company shall not proceed to carry on said bridge within five years after the passage of this act, and within five years thereafter complete the same, or if the said company shall proceed to issue any note or notes of the nature of bank notes, or do any business of the nature of banking, it shall and may be lawful for the legislature to resume all and singular, the liberties and privileges hereby granted to said company; *Provided further*, That the erection of said bridge shall not obstruct the navigation of said river, so as to endanger the passage of rafts, steamboats or other water crafts.

Tolls.

SECTION 5. When a complete bridge shall have been erected, the president, managers and company for erecting a bridge over the Allegheny river, from Mechanics' street in the borough of the Northern Liberties of Pittsburg, their successors and assigns, are hereby empowered to erect gates, and demand and receive tolls, not exceeding as follows, to wit: For every foot passenger, two cents; for every carriage, of whatever description, used for the purpose of trade or agriculture, having four wheels and drawn by six horses, seventy-five cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by five horses, sixty-two and one half cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by four horses, fifty cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by three horses, forty four cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by two horses, thirty-seven and one half cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by one horse, thirty-one cents; for every carriage of whatever description, used for

the purpose of personal accommodation or pleasure, having Tolls. four wheels and drawn by four horses, seventy-five cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by two horses, sixty-two and one half cents; for every such carriage having four wheels and drawn by one horse, thirty-seven and one half cents; for every carriage, of whatever description, used for the purpose of trade or agriculture, having two wheels and drawn by four horses, forty-four cents; for every such carriage having two wheels and drawn by three horses, thirty-seven and one half cents; for every such carriage having two wheels and drawn by two horses, thirty-one cents; for every such carriage having two wheels and drawn by one horse, eighteen cents; for every chair or other wheeled carriage of pleasure, for every horse used therein, eighteen cents; for every sleigh or sled drawn by four horses, thirty-seven and one half cents; for every sleigh or sled drawn by three horses, thirty-one cents; for every sleigh or sled drawn by two horses, twenty-five cents; for every sleigh or sled drawn by one horse, twelve and one half cents; for every horse, mare or gelding, with a rider, six cents; for every horse, mare or gelding without a rider, six cents; for every carriage drawn by oxen, or partly by oxen and partly by horses, to be rated in proportion of two oxen for one horse, and in all cases a mule shall be rated in the same proportion as a horse; for every head of horned or muley cattle, two cents; for every head of sheep or swine, one cent; *Provided*, 1st Proviso: That any person or persons attending funerals, any detachment of the military of this state or of the United States, foot passengers attending divine service, students or children attending schools or other seminaries of learning, shall at all times be exempt from paying toll; *Provided also*, That 2d Proviso. it shall be the duty of the president and managers of the company, and their successors, to have a written or printed list or lists of the above rates of toll, placed upon some conspicuous part, at each end of the said bridge, for the inspection of all persons desirous of seeing the same.

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