

due; and from that period the duties required to be performed by the commissioners for the erection of a new county prison and a debtors apartment; as relates to the payment of the interest on the loans, and to the transfer of the same, shall devolve on the commissioners of Phidadelphia county, and that the duties of the commissioners for the erection of the said prison and debtors apartment, shall cease and determine: *Provided*, That in the settlement of the accounts of the inspectors of the prison, and guardians of the poor, the auditors shall attend at the prison and almshouse respectively; and no book or papers shall be taken from said institutions: *Provided*, The foregoing provisions in relation to a vagrant apartment, shall be first approved by the county board.

Proviso.

2d Proviso.

NER MIDDLESWARTH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-second day of March, A. D. eighteen hundred and thirty-six.

JOS: RITNER.

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No. 56.

An Act

To incorporate the New Hope, Doylestown and Norristown Railroad 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 Lewis S. Coryell, Elias Ely, Isaac Vanhorn, Daniel Parry, Simpson Torbert, Moses Eastburn, Guy Bryan, John Fox, E. T. M'Dowell, Charles H. Mathews, John Robarts, Henry Chapman, Nathaniel Shewell, William Carr, Hugh B. Ely, William Watson, Charles E. Dubois, S. D. Ingham, Stephen Brock, John Beatty, John Pugh, Thomas Ross, Wm. H. Johnson, Samuel Sutton, Joseph Anderson, Aaron Bradshaw, David Ryal, James Wier, Jacob Markley, of Bucks county; Evan Jones, David Acaff,

Commissioners:

Dr. Antrim Foulke, John Freedley, Thomas M. Jolly, James Commission-
H. Webb, Walter W. Paxson, John B. Sterigere, Joseph For- ers.
nance, Lewis Jones, Evan Lester, Jacob Cassell, Charles
F. Jenkins, Daniel H. Mulvany, Mordecai R. Moore, John
Lloyd, Moses Lukens, Charles Jarrett, Yeamans Paul, of
Montgomery county; Peter Wager, John Keefe, Isaac Otis,
Richard Morris, Pierson A. Reading, James Page, Doctor
Samuel Moore, Charles McAllister, Benjamin Duncan, M.
C. Ralston, Doctor Moses B. Smith, William Newbold, John
Price Wetherill, Peter Baker, John White, Richard Price,
John Miles, Jonathan K. Hassinger, John S. Riddle, Wm.
D. Lewis, Benjamin E. Carpenter, Benjamin S. Bonsall,
James M'Cormick, of Philadelphia, or any six of them, be,
and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and per-
form the several things hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:
they shall, on or before the first day of June next, procure a To procure
book or books, which shall be opened at some convenient books.
place or places in the counties of Bucks and Montgomery,
and city of Philadelphia, in which they shall enter as follows:
“ We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to Form of sub-
pay to the president and managers of the New Hope, Doyles- scription.
town and Norristown railroad company, the sum of fifty dol- Shares \$50
lars for each share of the stock set opposite to our respective each.
names, in such manner and such proportions, and at such
times as shall be determined by the president and mana-
gers of the said company, in pursuance of an act of the
general assembly of this commonwealth, entitled ‘An act to
incorporate the New Hope, Doylestown and Norristown rail-
road company.’ Witness our hands, this day
of in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred thirty-six.” And shall thereupon give notice, in Notice.
one more newspapers printed in the counties of Bucks and
Montgomery, and in the city of Philadelphia, three weeks at
least, of the times and places when and where the said
books shall be kept open to receive subscriptions for the
stock of the said company, at which respective times and
places, one or more of the said commissioners shall attend,
and permit persons of lawful age who shall offer to sub- Who may
scribe in the said books, in their own names, or in the names subscribe.
of any other persons who shall authorize the same, for shares
in said stock; and the said books shall be kept open respect-
ively for the space of six days, or until there shall have been Whole num-
subscribed five thousand shares, and if at the expiration of ber of shares
six days the books aforesaid shall not have the number of 5,000.
shares aforesaid therein subscribed, the said commissioners
may adjourn from time to time, and transfer the books at
pleasure, until the whole number of five thousand shares shall
be subscribed; and when the whole number of shares shall
be subscribed, the books shall be closed: *Provided*, That no *Provido*.
person shall be permitted to subscribe for more than ten

shares on the first day, or more than fifty shares on the second day, after which any person may subscribe for any number of shares until the whole stock is taken.

When letters
patent shall
issue.

SECTION 2. When one thousand shares or more of the said stock shall be subscribed, and the sum of five dollars paid on each and every share, the commissioners, or any six of them, may certify to the Governor, under their hands and seals, the names of the subscribers, and the number of shares subscribed by each, and the sums paid thereon, whereupon the Governor shall, by letters patent, under his hand and seal of the commonwealth, create and erect the subscribers, and if the subscription shall not be full at the time, then also those who shall thereafter subscribe to the number of shares as aforesaid, into a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of the "New Hope, Doylestown and Norristown railroad company," and by the same name the subscribers shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, in all courts of record and elsewhere, and to purchase, receive, have, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, lands, tenements and hereditaments, goods, chattels, as may be necessary and requisite to carry on the business of said company, and real estate, personal or mixed, of what kind or quality soever, and the same from time to time to sell, mortgage, grant, alien or dispose of, and to make dividends of such portion of the profits as they may deem proper, and also to make and have a common seal, and the same to alter or renew at pleasure, and also to ordain and 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 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 corporation, and the due management and ordering the affairs of the same: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be considered as in any way giving to the said corporation any banking, manufacturing or trading privileges whatsoever, or any other liberties, privileges or franchises, but such as may be necessary or incident to the making of the said railroad, cars, locomotives, fixtures and devices proper and convenient for facilitating traveling or transportation on the said railroad.

Name, style
and title.

Powers and
privileges.

Proviso.

Notice.

Company to
be organized,
and how.

SECTION 3. The said named commissioners, or any six of them, shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the said letters patent shall be obtained, give at least twenty days notice in the newspapers hereinbefore mentioned, of the time and place by them appointed for the subscribers to meet, in order to organize the said company, and to choose by a majority of votes of the said subscribers, by ballot, to be

given in person or by proxy, which proxy shall have been Proxies. obtained and bear date within three months previously to the election at which such proxy shall be presented, duly authorized, one president and nine managers, all of whom shall be residents of this commonwealth, a treasurer and a secretary, and such other officers as shall be deemed necessary; that the president and managers aforesaid shall conduct the business of said company until like officers shall be chosen, and may make such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, By-laws. as are not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States or of this state, and that may be necessary for the well governing the affairs of the company.

SECTION 4. The stockholders shall meet on the first Annual el Monday in November in every year, at such place as may be tion. fixed upon by the by-laws, of which notice shall be given at Notice. least twenty days, by the secretary, in the newspapers before mentioned, and choose by a majority of votes present, their officers for the ensuing year, as mentioned in the third section of this act, who shall continue in office for one year and until others are chosen, and at such other times as they may be summoned by the managers, in such manner and form as shall be prescribed by the by-laws, at which annual or special meeting, they shall have full power and authority to make, alter and repeal, by a majority of votes, in manner aforesaid, all such by-laws, rules, orders and regulations, as aforesaid, to do and perform every other corporate act, and the number of votes each stockholder shall be entitled to, shall be Ratio of according to the number of shares he or she shall hold, and votes. no share shall confer a right of voting unless it be holden by the person in whose name it appears, absolutely in his own right, or in that of his wife, or for his or her sole use and benefit, or as an executor or administrator, trustee or guardian, or in the right and for the use and benefit of some co-partnership, corporation or society: *Provided, That no* Proviso. person shall be permitted to vote at the first election of the said company, unless he or she have fully paid five dollars on each share of stock by him or her subscribed, as directed by the second section of this act, and at all subsequent elections of said company, no person shall be permitted to vote unless he or she shall have fully paid all the instalments called for and then due on the shares by him or her subscribed.

SECTION 5. The election of officers provided for in the fourth section of this act, shall be conducted in the follow- Manner of ing manner, that is to say: the managers, for the time being, conducting shall appoint two of the stockholders not being managers, electio to be judges of the said election, and to conduct the same, Judges of after having severally taken and subscribed an oath or affirma- election: tion, before an alderman, judge or justice of the peace, well and truly and according to law to conduct such election, to the best of their knowledge and abilities; and the said judges shall

decide upon the qualification of the voters, and when the election is closed, shall count the votes and declare who is elected; and if it shall at any time happen that an election of president, managers, treasurer, secretary or other officers, shall not be made, the corporation shall not for that cause be deemed to be dissolved, but it shall be lawful to hold and make such election of president, managers, treasurer, secretary or other officer, on the same day, or any other day thereafter, by giving at least ten days notice, signed by the president or secretary, in the newspapers before mentioned, of the time and place of holding said election; and the president, managers, treasurer, secretary and other officers of the preceding year, shall in that case continue to act, and be invested with all the powers belonging to their respective situations, until an election shall take place; and in the case of death or resignation, or removal from the state, of any president, manager, treasurer, secretary or other officer, his place shall be filled by the board of managers until the next election.

Vacancies.

Meetings of the board.

Quorum.

Power of the board.

SECTION 6. The said president and managers shall meet at such times and places as shall be found most convenient for the transacting of their business, and when met, five shall be a quorum, who, in the absence of the president, may choose a chairman, and shall keep minutes of their transactions, fairly entered in a book; and a quorum being formed, they shall have full power and authority to appoint all such surveyors, engineers, superintendents and other artists and officers as they shall deem necessary to carry on the intended work, and to fix their salaries and wages, to ascertain the times, manner and proportions in which the said stockholders shall pay the money due on their respective shares, to draw orders on the treasurer for moneys, which shall be signed by the president, or in his absence by a majority of the managers present, and countersigned by the secretary, and generally to do all such other acts, matters and things, as by this act and the by-laws and regulations of the company they are authorized to do.

Certificates.

Seal.

Transfer.

SECTION 7. The president and managers first chosen shall procure certificates of stock for all the shares of the said company, and shall deliver one such certificate, signed by the president, and countersigned by the treasurer, and sealed with the common seal of the corporation, to each person for the share or shares by him subscribed and held, which certificate or evidence of stock shall be transferrable at his pleasure, in person or by attorney, (duly authorized in the presence of the president or treasurer, each of whom shall keep a book for that purpose,) subject however to all payments due or to become due thereon; and the assignee holding any certificate, having first caused the assignment to be entered in a book of the company to be kept for the

transfer of stock, shall be a member of the said corporation, and for every share assigned, shall be entitled to one share of the capital stock, of all the estates and emoluments of the company incident to one share, and to vote as aforesaid at the meetings thereof, and subject to all penalties and forfeitures, and being sued for all the balance and penalty due or to become due on each share; as the original subscriber would have been.

SECTION 8. If after thirty days notice in the public papers aforesaid, of the time and place so appointed for the payment of any portion or instalment of the said capital stock, in order to carry on the work, any stockholder shall neglect to pay such proportion or instalment, at the place appointed, for the space of thirty days after the time so appointed, every such stockholder or his assignee shall, in addition to the instalment so called for, pay at the rate of one per centum per month for the delay of such payment; and if the same and additional penalty shall remain unpaid for such space of time as that the accumulated penalty shall become equal to the sums before paid in part and on account of such shares, the same shall be forfeited to the said company, and may be sold to any person or persons willing to purchase, for such price as can be obtained for the same, or in default of payment by any stockholder of any such instalment as aforesaid, the president and managers may, at their election, cause suit to be brought, before an alderman or justice of the peace, or in any court having competent jurisdiction, for the recovery of the same, together with the penalty aforesaid: *Provided*, That no stockholder, whether original subscriber or assignee, shall be entitled to vote at any election, or at any general or special meeting of the said company, on whose share or shares any instalments or arrearages may be due and payable more than thirty days previously to the said election or meeting.

SECTION 9. The president and managers of the said company shall demand and require of and from the treasurer and all and every officer and other person by them employed, bonds in sufficient penalties, and with such securities as they shall by their rules, orders and regulations, require for the faithful discharge of the several duties and trusts to them or any of them committed respectively.

SECTION 10. Dividends of so much of the profits of the institution as shall appear advisable to the president and managers, shall be declared at least twice a year, and paid to the stockholders on demand, at any time after the expiration of ten days therefrom, but they shall in no case exceed the amount of nett profits actually acquired by the company, so that the capital stock shall never be thereby impaired; if the said president and managers shall make any dividend which shall impair the capital stock of said institution, the

Liability of president & managers. president or managers consenting thereto, shall be liable in their individual capacities to said company for the amount of the stock so divided; and each manager present when such dividend is made, shall be judged to be consenting thereto, unless he forthwith enter his protest on the minutes of the board, and give public notice to the stockholders at the declaring of such dividend: *Provided*, No dividend shall exceed fifteen per cent. per annum, nor shall the contingent fund of the company at any time exceed one fourth of their capital stock; and said company shall pay annually into the treasury of the commonwealth a tax of eight per centum per annum on all dividends which may exceed six per centum on the capital stock actually paid in.

Protest.

Proviso.

Tax.

Route.

Width of road.

Bridge.

Map or plot of road.

SECTION 11. The president, managers and company of the said railroad company, shall have power to survey, lay down, ascertain, mark and fix such route as they shall deem expedient for said railroad, within the counties of Bucks and Montgomery, beginning at a convenient point of intersection at the river Schuylkill, or with any railroad now made, or hereafter to be made, at or near the borough of Norristown, in the county of Montgomery, or if deemed more expedient, at some convenient point of intersection in the contemplated railroad from Norristown to Allentown, at or near New Hope, and thence through the counties of Bucks and Montgomery, by the way of Doylestown, to the river Delaware at New Hope, having due regard to the situation and nature of the ground, and of the buildings thereon, the public convenience, and the interest of the stockholders, and so as to do the least damage to private property; and the said road shall not be more than five rods wide, and shall not pass through any burying-ground or place of public worship, nor dwelling-house, without the leave of the owner thereof; and the said corporation, having obtained the necessary authority from the legislature of New Jersey so to do, may also construct a bridge across the Delaware river, at the termination of their road, and extend their railroad across the same; and the said president, managers and company shall, within six months after ascertaining the route of the said railroad, cause an accurate survey of the lines of the said road to be made, a map or plot of which survey they shall cause to be filed in the Secretary's office of this state, which map or plot, or a certified copy thereof, shall be sufficient evidence of the course of the said road, which may then be opened, and all expenses incurred thereby shall be defrayed by the said company.

SECTION 12. It shall be lawful for the president, managers and company of the said railroad company, and their agents, and all persons employed by or under them for the purpose contemplated in this act, to enter upon any land they shall deem necessary for laying out said road, and also for

May enter upon any land for materials.

the purpose of searching for and procuring stone, earth, sand and gravel for constructing said road; but no stone, earth, sand or gravel shall be taken away from any seated land without the consent of the owner thereof, until the rate of compensation for the same be ascertained, which rate of compensation, if the parties cannot agree thereon, shall be ascertained in the manner hereafter prescribed, as for the compensation for lands over which the said road may be laid.

SECTION 13. It shall and may be lawful for the company hereby incorporated to make, erect or establish; a double or single track railroad, on the route laid out as aforesaid; with lateral spurs, not exceeding one and an half miles in length; and said company are also hereby empowered to erect, make and establish all works, edifices and devices to such railroad, as may by the said company be expedient for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects of their incorporation, and also to contract and agree with the owner or owners of any lands or tenements which may be necessary for the purpose of erecting the said railroad, works, devices, and edifices.

SECTION 14. Whenever it shall be necessary for the president, managers and company of the said railroad company to enter in and upon, and occupy, for the purpose of making such railroad, any land upon which the same may be located; if the owner or owners of the said land shall refuse to permit such entry and occupation, and the parties cannot agree upon the compensation to be made for any injury or supposed injury that may be done to said land by such entry and occupation, it shall and may be lawful for the parties to appoint six suitable and disinterested persons to estimate such damages, who, or a majority of whom, under oath or affirmation fairly and impartially to estimate the same, and who shall reside in the proper county where the land lies, and the expenses incurred by the said appraisers shall be defrayed by the said railroad company; but if the parties cannot agree upon such persons, or if the persons so chosen shall not decide upon the matter, or if the owner of such land shall refuse or neglect to join in such appointment within twenty days after requisition for that purpose upon him, or if such owner shall be *feme covert*, under age, non compos mentis, out of the state or unknown, then it shall be lawful for the court of Common Pleas of the county in which the land lies, on application of either party, and at the cost and charges of said corporation, to appoint six disinterested persons, men of said county, to view, examine and survey the said lands, tenements or hereditaments, and estimate the injury or damage, if any in their apprehension will be sustained, as aforesaid, by reason of said railroad, and report the same, under their oaths or affirmations, to the said court, which report being confirmed by the said court, judgment

shall be entered thereon; and the viewers shall be entitled to the like fees for their services as are allowed by law to viewers of public roads and highways, to be paid by said company, and it shall be the duty of the said appraisers, in estimating such injury or damage, to take into consideration the advantages that will be derived to the owner or owners of the said lands from the said railroad: *Provided*, That either party may appeal to the court within thirty days after such report may have been filed in the prothonotary's office of the proper county, in the same manner as appeals are allowed in other cases, and upon the coming in of such report, and the confirmation thereof, or upon final judgment or appeal therefrom; and the said company shall pay such owner the sums in such report or judgment specified, in full compensation for the injury sustained as aforesaid, and the said company and who act under them, shall be acquitted and freed from all responsibility for and on account of such damage or injury: *Provided*, That upon payment, or tender of payment by the said company, of the sum specified in the report of said viewers or appraisers, to the owner of said land, the said president and managers, their agents or contractors for making or repairing the said road, may immediately take and use the same, without awaiting the issue of proceeding, as hereinbefore prescribed.

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Bridges or
causeways
to be kept up
at crossing
places.

Penalty for
neglect.

SECTION 15: The said railroad shall be so constructed by the said company as not to obstruct or impede the free use and passage of any canal, public road or roads which may cross or enter at the same, being now laid out or hereafter to be laid out, and in all places where the said railroad may cross or in any way interfere with any public road or canal, it shall be the duty of the said company to make, or cause to be made, a good and sufficient bridge, causeway or causeways, to enable all persons passing or traveling such canal or public road, to cross and pass over or under the said railway, which bridge and causeway or causeways, shall be made and maintained by the said company; and if the said company shall refuse or neglect to make such bridge, causeway or causeways, or when made to keep the same in good repair, they shall be liable to pay a penalty of ten dollars for every day the same shall be neglected or refused to be made or repaired, to be recovered by the supervisor of the township, with costs, for the use of the township, as debts of like amount are by law recoverable, and shall moreover, be liable to an action or actions, at the suit of any person who may be aggrieved thereby; and the service of process upon any officer or agent of said company, shall be as good and as available in law as if served upon the president thereof.

SECTION 16. For the accommodation of all persons owning or possessing land through which the said railroad may or shall pass, and to prevent inconveniences to such persons in

crossing or passing the same, it shall be the duty of the said ^{Private} company, when required, to make, or cause to be made, a ^{causeways.} good and sufficient causeway or causeways, wherever the same may be necessary, to enable the occupant or occupants of said lands to cross or pass over or under the same with wagons, carts and implements of husbandry, as the occasion may require : *Provided*, That the said company shall in no ^{Proviso.} case be required to make, or cause to be made, more than one such causeway through each plantation or lot of land, for the accommodation of any one person owning or possessing land through which the said railroad may or shall pass ; and the said causeway or causeways when so made, shall be maintained and kept in repair by said company, and if said company shall refuse or neglect to make such causeway or ^{Penalty for} causeways, or when made to keep the same in good repair, ^{neglect.} the said company shall be liable to pay any person aggrieved thereby, all damages sustained by such person in consequence of such refusal or neglect, to be sued for and recovered before any magistrate, or court having cognizance thereof ; and the service of process upon any officer or agent of said company, shall be as good and available in law as if served upon the president thereof : *Provided*, That this ^{2d Proviso.} act shall not be so construed as to prevent owners of land through whose property the said railroad passes, from constructing a causeway or crossing place over said railroad, but the same to be such as are usually made by the said company.

SECTION 17. No suit or action shall be brought or prosecuted by any person or persons for penalties incurred under this act, unless said suit or action shall be commenced ^{Suit to be commenced within thirty days after offence.} within thirty days next after the offence shall have been committed, or the cause of action shall have accrued, and the defendant or defendants in such suits or actions, may plead the general issue, and give this act and the special matter in evidence, and that the same was done in pursuance and by authority of this act.

SECTION 18. The company shall not prevent any person or persons being the owner or owners of lands bordering on the said railroad or adjacent thereto, making such lateral ^{Lateral railroads.} railroads, and to connect them with the said railroad from their said lands, as the said person or persons may conceive necessary, for the purpose of transporting merchandise, stone, timber, produce or coal upon the said railroad.

SECTION 19. On the completion of any part of the said ^{Road to be a public highway.} road, the same shall be esteemed a public highway, for the transportation of all commodities, and the said company may charge and receive tolls, and for freights on, and ^{Tolls.} for the transportation of goods, wares and merchandises, at the following rates, that is to say: on each ton of coal one and a half cents per mile; on each ton of salt, brick, gypsum

Tolls.

and lime, one and a half cents per mile; on lumber, squared and round, per one hundred feet solid, two cents per mile; on boards, plank and scantling, or other sawed stuff reduced to inch stuff, one cent per thousand feet per mile; on shingles per thousand, one cent per mile; on staves and heading for pipes and hogsheads, per mile two cents per thousand; and staves and heading for barrels and other vessels of less size, one cent per mile per thousand; on each passenger five cents per mile; all other articles not enumerated, two cents per ton per mile; on all single and detached articles weighing less than a ton, it shall be lawful to charge and receive on the transports thereof, an advance of twenty per cent, on the rates as above established: *Provided*, That every person or persons using the said road, shall only use those carriages, wagons and conveyances which shall be adapted thereto, which said carriages, wagons and conveyances, to be used thereon for the transportation of persons or commodities, shall be prescribed by the said company, and the legislature reserves the right to reduce the tolls.

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Penalty and punishment for injuring the railroad, &c.

SECTION 20. If any person or persons shall wilfully and knowingly break, injure or destroy the railroad, or any part thereof, or any work, edifice, car, engine or other device, or any part thereof, to be erected by the said company in pursuance of this act, he, she or they, shall forfeit and pay to the said company the actual damages so sustained, to be sued for and recovered, with costs of suit, in any court having cognizance thereof, by action of debt, in the name of and for the use of said company, and shall be subject to indictment in the court of Quarter Sessions of the proper county, and upon conviction of such offence, shall be punished by fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

Work to be commenced & completed within a certain time; otherwise charter to be null.

SECTION 21. If the president and managers, and said company, shall not proceed to carry on said work within two years from the passage of this act, and shall not complete the same, as aforesaid, in five years, according to the true intent and meaning of this act, or if after the completion of the said railroad, or any part thereof, the said corporation shall suffer the same to go to decay, and be impassable for the term of two years, then this charter shall become null and void, except so far as compels said company to make reparation for damages.

Capital stock may be increased to \$500,000.

SECTION 22. If any increase of the capital stock to be deemed necessary by the stockholders to complete the said railroad, cars, engines and other devices, it may be lawful for the said president, managers and company, at a stated or special meeting convened for that purpose, to increase the number of shares, so that the capital of said company shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, and to receive and demand the money for shares so subscribed, in like manner

and under like penalties as are herein before provided for the original subscription, or as shall be provided for by their by-laws.

SECTION 23. If said company shall at any time misuse or abuse any of the privileges hereby granted, the legislature may resume all and singular, the rights and privileges hereby granted to said company; the legislature also reserves the right to purchase the rights of said company, and the railroad, with its appurtenances, at any time after thirty years from the passage of this act, by paying to said company a sum of money equal to the cost and expenses of said railroad, with an interest of eight per centum per annum thereon.

NER MIDDLESWARTH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-third day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six.

JOS: RITNER.

No. 57.

An Act

To incorporate a company to build a bridge over the Big Beaver creek, at Fallston, in Beaver 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 John Miner, Robert Townsend, John Pugh, M. F. Champlin, Thomas Thornely, Evan Pugh, A. W. Townsend, Jacob Townsend, Elihu T. Pugh, David Ramsey, E. K. Chamberlin, Joseph T. Pugh, John Stevenson, David Worcester, William Blanchard, Charles Lukens, James C. Fulton, C. C. Wolcott, Isaac Wade, Harvey White, David Mitchell, Stephen Jennings, Richard Morland, David Boies, James Logan, Simon Meredith, Thomas Johnson, Andrew Grayham, Thomas Beacom, William Le Barron, Edward Hoops, Samuel Cramer, William H. H. Chamberlin, Francis