

eral Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That Mark Bratten Hannum, of the township, of Concord, in the county of Delaware, 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 he had been born in lawful wedlock.

LEWIS DEWART,
Speaker of the House of Representatives
THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

JOS: RITNER

No. 56.

An Act

To incorporate the Society of Equal Rights, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.

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 society called the "Society of Equal Rights, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania," shall be, and they are hereby created and declared to be one body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of "The Trustees of the Society of Equal Rights, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania," 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 or 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 houses, lands and tenements, rents, annuities, or*

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other hereditaments and real estate of the said corporation, and the interest of money by it lent, shall not exceed eight hundred dollars, 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 said corporation, not being contrary to the charter, or to the constitution and laws of the United States or of this commonwealth; and also, to make and have a common seal, and the same to break, alter, or renew at pleasure, 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 of the affairs thereof: *Provided further*, That nothing herein contained, shall be construed to confer upon the corporation hereby created, the right to do or exercise any mechanical, manufacturing or banking business or privilege.

Trustees. SECTION 2. That Alfred Creigh, George Fleming, S. Dunlap Adair, William S. Roland, Lemuel G. Brandeberry, Thomas B. Jacobs, Gail Day, Abraham Hendel, and Jason W. Eby, be, and they are hereby declared to be the trustees of said society, until the next regular annual election, and that hereafter, at the first meeting of the society in the month of January, of each and every year, the society shall proceed to elect nine trustees, and at such elections all persons that shall have been duly admitted as members, shall be alone entitled to vote at such elections, and be eligible to the situation as trustees, and in case of the death, resignation or otherwise, of any of the trustees, being made known to the society, and after one week's notice of the same, the society shall proceed to supply the vacancy until the next regular annual election: *Provided however*, That if the annual election for officers should not be held at the stated day, the said corporation shall not be thereby dissolved, but the officers in office shall continue until the next annual election.

Power of trustees to elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer, &c. SECTION 3. The trustees aforesaid shall have power to elect a president and secretary from their own body, and in case of absence or inability of both, or either, to act, to appoint one respectively *pro tem*; a majority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and they are hereby empowered to appoint a treasurer, and all other officers and agents necessary for the performance of the proper business of the society, and in their discretion to dismiss them; and it shall be the duty of the trustees to take from the treasurer a bond, with two or more sufficient sureties, to their satisfaction, as they shall deem proper, conditioned for the faithful and due execution of his office.

SECTION 4. The said trustees and their successors, for the 500 shares of purpose of purchasing or erecting a suitable building for the stock, at \$5 society, and fitting and preparing the same, are hereby authorized to raise a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, by dividing the same into five hundred shares, of five dollars, to be subscribed for by such persons of lawful age as may be willing to make the investment, which said every share of stock shall be paid in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the trustees of said society.

SECTION 5. The said trustees shall procure certificates or evidences of stock for all the shares of the said company, and shall deliver one or more certificates, signed by the president, and countersigned by the treasurer, and sealed with the common seal of the said corporation, to each person for the number of shares by him or her subscribed or held, which certificate or evidence of stock shall be transferable, at his or her pleasure, in person, or by attorney duly authorized, in presence of the president or treasurer, in a book kept for that purpose, subject however to all payments due or to become due thereon, and the assignee thus holding a certificate for each share, shall be entitled to one share of the capital stock, and the emoluments incident to one share, and subject to all penalties and forfeitures, and to be sued for all the balance and penalty due or to become due on each share, as the original subscriber would have been: *Provided however,* That the said trustees shall at all times have the right to redeem the stock, either in part or in whole, for the use, benefit and behoof of said society.

SECTION 6. Dividends of so much of the profits of the society as shall appear advisable to the trustees, shall be declared at least twice a year in every year, and paid to the stockholders on demand, at any time after the expiration of ten days therefrom, certified on oath of the treasurer to be correct, and published, 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 impaired thereby.

SECTION 7. If after thirty days notice in one or more newspapers of the borough of Carlisle, of the time and place appointed for the payment of any portion or instalment of the said capital stock, 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 three per cent. per month for the delay of such payment, and if the same and additional penalty shall remain unpaid for three months from

Forfeiture. the date of the public notice given, the same shall be forfeited to said trustees, for the use of the company, and may be sold to any person willing to purchase: *Provided however,* That the said trustees may at their election, recover the amount due by such stockholder, or his assignee, together with such penalty as debts of similar amount are now by law recoverable.

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Liability. SECTION 8. In all cases of loss of money to the society by the fraud of the trustees, they shall individually be liable for the same, but such trustees as shall be absent at the commission of such fraud; and not concurring therein, and such as shall be present and dissent therefrom, entering their protests upon the minutes, shall be exonerated from such liability by forthwith giving public notice to the society; but without such fraud, no trustee or member shall be liable in his person or property for any debts, contracts or engagements of the said society, and the money, rights, property and credit thereof, and nothing more, shall be liable for the same.

Fundamental articles. SECTION 9. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the following shall be the fundamental articles of the said society:

Name and title. *Article 1.* This association shall forever hereafter be designated by the name and title of "The Society of Equal Rights, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania."

Objects of the society. *Article 2.* The objects of the society shall be the cultivation of the intellectual faculties, the promotion of morals, and the dissemination of useful information.

Officers. *Article 3.* The officers of this society shall consist of a president, two vice presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and a librarian, who shall be elected quarterly, by ballot, on the first meetings of the society in the months of March, June, September and December.

Terms of admitting members. *Article 4.* No person shall be admitted a member of this society without he is recommended as a person of good moral character, and unequivocally attached to the objects of the society.

Entrance money &c. *Article 5.* Each person on being admitted a member of this society, shall pay such entrance money, and quarterly dues and contributions as the society may by their by-laws, from time to time declare.

Causes of removal. *Article 6.* Any member may be removed from office, or expelled from the society, whose quarterly dues or other contributions are due and unpaid for six months, for a violation of these articles, for breach of a trust reposed in him by the society, and for improper conduct, rendering him an unfit associate for men of honor and honesty, provided he is afford-

ed an opportunity of making a defence before the society, in the manner to be prescribed by the by-laws.

Article 7. Stated meetings of the society may be held weekly, at such time and place as may from time to time be regulated and declared by the society, and five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; special meetings shall be called by the president, at the written request of five members.

Article 8. By-laws must be proposed at least one month previous to their adoption, and a motion to alter or repeal a by-law, must lay over at least one month prior to its being acted upon.

Article 9. That the first and second articles are hereby declared unalterable, and that said society shall not be dissolved while there are three members willing to continue it.

SECTION 10. The Legislature reserves the right to alter or repeal the charter hereby granted.

WHEREAS, a number of persons have associated for the purpose of promoting and encouraging literature, and the said persons are desirous of being incorporated; Therefore,

SECTION 11. The persons who constitute the Pennsylvania Library Association, or who shall hereafter be admitted members of the same, shall, and hereby are declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of the "Pennsylvania Library Association," to have perpetual succession, to plead and be impleaded, to sue and be sued, in all courts of record or elsewhere, and be capable to take, hold and enjoy property, the clear yearly income of which shall not exceed one thousand dollars, to use a common seal, and to alter or renew the same at pleasure.

SECTION 12. The officers of said corporation shall be such as the said corporation may think necessary, who shall be elected annually, or otherwise, as the rules and by-laws of the corporation may direct.

SECTION 13. Said corporation when convened, upon due notice given to the members by public advertisement or otherwise, shall have power and authority to make, ordain and establish such and so many rules, by-laws and ordinances, relating to the times of meeting, the admission of members, the powers and duties of the officers thereof, and the ordering of the other concerns of the said corporation, as they may deem necessary and proper: *Provided*, that no rule, by-law or ordinance, as aforesaid, shall be valid, if inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state or the United States.

SECTION 14. The present officers of the said society shall continue in their respective stations until an election shall

By-laws and ordinances. be made under this act, and the rules, by-laws and ordinances now in force, not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state or of the United States, shall be good and valid, until altered, amended or abrogated by the corporation.

Right of repeal. SECTION 15. The Legislature reserves the right of altering, repealing, or revoking the privileges hereby granted.

SECTION 16. D. Francis Condie, Isaac S. Ashton, William I. Crans, Washington L. Lane, John Blackburn, Benjamin N. Lewis, Thomas K. Tresse, Charles R. Webb, Thomas McCloud, William F. Geddes, Wm. English, Richard McGlathery, James Frazier, Thomas Throp, Michael Errickson, Thomas Daly, William Kelly, Jr. James McCully, John H. Scott, William W. Barnes, Tyler Lippincott, William K. Brooks, John Hanna, William Clark, A. A. Anderson, John M. Harper, Thomas D. Grover and Peter Craus, Jr. be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several duties hereinafter mentioned, that is to say; they may and shall, within three

To procure books. months subsequent to the passage of this act, procure a book or books, and therein enter as follows: "We whose names

Subscription for stock. are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay to the board of trustees for the erection and superintendence of the South-

\$5 per share. wark Institute and Temperance Hall, the sum of five dollars for each and every share of stock for the erection of the said hall, set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the aforesaid board of trustees, in pursuance of an act of the general assembly of Pennsylvania, entitled "An act to incorporate a board of trustees for the erection and superintendence of the Southwark Institute and Temperance Hall, within the district of Southwark," and the said commissioners shall open and keep open at some convenient place, the

Books to be kept open. books so prepared, and shall allow all persons who shall offer to subscribe therein for any number of shares of stock, in

3000 who'e No. of shares their own name, or the name of another, until the whole number of the subscriptions shall amount to three thousand shares of stock.

Annual election of 13 trustees. SECTION 17. So soon as one thousand shares of stock as above shall be subscribed for, and on the first Monday in January of each and every year thereafter, the subscribers to the said stock shall assemble and elect from among themselves, by a majority of votes, by ballot, thirteen individuals, to serve as trustees for the space of one year, and until their successors shall be elected; at the said election for trustees,

Ratio of votes. no subscriber shall be allowed more than five votes, that is to say; one vote for each share not exceeding five, whatever

may be the number of shares of stock he may hold, in his own name, or in trust for another.

SECTION 18. The thirteen trustees elected as above, shall form a board, a majority of the members of which shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the said board shall have full power and authority to purchase, or rent on ground rent, a lot of ground in some suitable location in the district of Southwark, and to enter into contracts for the erection thereon of a building, according to such dimensions as they may deem suitable for the purposes to which the said hall is to be appropriated, and the said board of trustees shall have power to appropriate for the purchase or renting of the said ground, and the erection of the hall, as above, so much of the stock subscribed for that purpose as may be found necessary; the lot of ground so purchased or rented, and the buildings thereon erected, shall be held by the board of trustees aforesaid and their successors, regularly elected, as the joint property of the subscribers to the stock for the purchase and erection thereof.

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SECTION 19. The aforesaid board of trustees shall have the full and entire management and superintendence of the said hall; they shall be required to keep it in complete order and repair, regulate the renting and occupancy of the different apartments of the same, and collect and receive the rents therefrom accruing: *Provided*, That the said board of trustees shall not be allowed to sell or mortgage the aforesaid hall, nor to lease the whole or any part thereof, for a longer period than three years, neither shall they permit any intoxicating liquors to be sold or stored, nor any game of chance to be carried on therein, and the said board of trustees shall always allow the Southwark Institute and Southwark Temperance society, to occupy such portions of the said hall as may be necessary for their accommodation, and at such times and for such periods as the proper carrying into effect of the objects of the said associations may require; *Provided always*, That the regulations for the occupying of the hall by the said associations, shall be fixed at the annual meeting of the board of trustees in January, and shall remain unaltered until the ensuing annual meeting.

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SECTION 20. The said board of trustees shall meet once in every month, and as much oftener as may be necessary, for the proper transaction of the business entrusted to them; they shall have power to make such rules for their own government as they may deem proper: *Provided*, That nothing therein contained be in opposition to the obvious meaning and intent of this act; they shall elect from their own body a president, secretary and treasurer, which offi-

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- Minutes. cers shall perform the same duties as they are usually required to perform in other similar bodies, together with such other duties as may be imposed upon them by the rules adopted by the said board, and the treasurer of the board of trustees shall be required to give security for the faithful performance of his duties and trusts, in such form, and to such amount as the said board may deem proper; and the said board of trustees shall keep regular and fair minutes of all their transactions, and a full and accurate account of all sums of money received and expended on account of the said hall, and submit the same to the stockholders, at their annual meeting in January.
- Instalments on stock. SECTION 21. The said board of trustees shall have power to call in, whenever they may deem the same to be necessary, all instalments due upon the stock subscribed for the erection of the aforesaid hall, and so soon as all the instalments have been paid by a subscriber, they shall cause to be delivered to him a certificate, stating the whole amount paid by him, and the number of shares of stock to which he is entitled, signed by the president and treasurer, and attested by the secretary, which certificate shall be transferable, at the pleasure of the holder, in the presence of the treasurer of the board of trustees, and the person to whom such certificate shall be transferred on the books of the treasurer, shall be considered a subscriber to the stock for the erection of the said hall, and entitled to as many shares of the same as are contained in the certificate aforesaid, as well as to all the privileges and emoluments thereunto pertaining.
- Certificates of stock. SECTION 22. Every six months from and after the completion of the said hall, the aforesaid board of trustees shall make and declare a dividend of the clear profits and income arising from the renting and occupancy of the same, (all contingent costs and charges for the proper security and necessary repairs of the said hall being first deducted,) among all the subscribers to stock for the erection of the aforesaid hall, in proportion to the amount of shares held by each, and they shall cause the said dividends to be paid to the subscribers aforesaid, or to their lawful attorneys: *Provided*, That whenever the said dividends shall exceed six per cent. per annum upon each share of stock for the six months, six per cent. only shall be paid to the holder of each share, and the remainder shall be appropriated by the said board of trustees, to the purchase of books for the library of the Southwark Institute.
- Dividends. SECTION 23. The members of the said board of trustees shall be allowed no compensation, fee, or reward whatever, for the performance of the duties assigned to them by this
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act, nor for any other duties which may incidentally grow thereout.

SECTION 24. There shall be, and hereby is established in the town of Coudersport, in the county of Potter, an academy or public school for the education of youth in the English and other languages, and in the useful arts, sciences and literature, by the name, style and title of "The Coudersport Academy," under the care and direction of six trustees, who, and their successors in office, shall be, and are hereby declared to be one body politic and corporate in deed and in law, by the name and style of "The Trustees of the Coudersport Academy," and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts of law and elsewhere, and shall be capable in law and equity to take and hold, to them and their successors, for the use of said academy, lands, goods, chattels and moneys, of every kind whatsoever, by gift, grant, conveyance, devise or bequest, from any person or persons whomsoever, capable of making the same, and the same from time to time to sell, convey or dispose of, for the use of said academy, and to erect such buildings as may be necessary, and generally to do all and singular, the matters and things which shall be lawful for them to do for the well being of the said academy, and the due management and ordering of the affairs thereof.

SECTION 25. And the first election of trustees shall take place on the first Friday in August, in the year one thousand and eight hundred and thirty-seven, and on the same day thereafter annually, in the court house of the said town of Coudersport, and said elections shall commence at the hour of one o'clock, P. M. and continue until five o'clock, P. M., and shall be conducted by two managers, who shall be appointed by a majority of the citizens qualified to vote, who may be present at the time of commencing said election; no person shall be allowed to be a trustee, or to vote, unless he be a citizen of said county, and shall have subscribed and paid to the funds of said academy the sum of three dollars; the votes shall be given by ballot, and at the first election each ticket shall be labelled on the outside "Trustees of Coudersport Academy," and at the first election, shall contain the names of six persons, and the six having the greatest number of votes, and being qualified according to the provisions of this act, shall be the trustees for the ensuing year, and until their successors are elected; the managers shall certify the result of the election to each person so elected; as soon as convenient after the election, the said trustees shall, by lot, divide themselves into three classes, of two

Coudersport academy in Potter county, incorporated.

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each; the term of office of the first class shall expire in one year after their election, that of the second in two years, and that of the third in three years, and after the first election but two trustees shall be elected annually; the board of trustees shall have power to fill vacancies, to appoint their president, who shall be one of the elected trustees, and they shall have power to enact such by-laws as may be necessary, not being inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States, or the constitution and laws of this Commonwealth, and four of the said trustees shall constitute a quorum, and a quorum may in the absence of the president, appoint a president pro tempore; the president shall be appointed yearly; the said board of trustees shall appoint a secretary and treasurer yearly, but they shall have power to remove either whenever a majority of the board shall think it proper; the treasurer shall, before he commences the duties of his office, give a bond to said corporation, with one or more good sureties, to be approved of by a majority of the managers, for a penal sum double the estimated amount for the time being of the funds of the corporation, conditioned for the performance of the duties enjoined, and the repayment of moneys received by him.

SECTION 26. The treasurer shall receive and hold all moneys belonging to the institution, and pay the same only to the order of the board, signed by the president and secretary, or by a majority of the trustees, and he shall keep fair accounts thereof, to be open at all seasonable hours, for the inspection of all persons who may have contributed to the funds of said institution, and the said trustees and treasurer shall annually in the month of January, exhibit all their books, vouchers, and accounts of every kind, before the auditors of the county of Potter, to be settled and adjusted in the same manner as the accounts of county commissioners are or shall be by law directed to be settled, and any balance found due the institution, shall be entered of record, and become a lien, and be collected in the same manner, and under the same regulations, as balances found due from county treasurers, saving to the accountant and the corporation, the same right to appeal; every trustee or treasurer who shall neglect or refuse to exhibit his books, accounts, and vouchers, as aforesaid, shall forfeit the sum of forty dollars, to be recovered as debts of a similar amount are now by law recoverable, in any action (brought by a person qualified to vote for trustees) in the name of said corporation, one half to be recovered for the use of the academy, and the other half for the use of the prosecutor.

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Secretary.

Treasurer.

Duty of treasurer.

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Penalty.

SECTION 27. Any and all property or money which may have heretofore been granted, or in anywise directed by the owner thereof, to be appropriated to the use of the institution hereby established, is hereby vested in said corporation. Property vested in corporation.

SECTION 28. John Lyman, John Taggart, Timothy Ives, Jr., Orange A. Lewis, Seneca Freeman, Charles Lyman, Lewis B. Cole and F. B. Hamlin, are hereby appointed trustees of said corporation, until their successors be elected, with the same powers as are hereinbefore vested in the board of trustees hereafter to be elected. Trustees until their successors be elected.

WHEREAS, Charles V. Hagner, Michael Snyder, Joseph Ripka, George W. Davis, Hiram Ellis, George W. Smick, Nicholas Rittenhouse, Francis Murphy, F. J. Harper, and William Rawley, of the township of Roxborough, Wyndham H. Stokes and William W. Chew of Germantown, Dr. George W. Riter, Jacob Engelman and William Rheiner of Penn township, Pierce Butler of Bristol, and Samuel Breck of Blockley township, Tobias Wagner, William Stavely of Philadelphia, Alexander M. Pelts of Northern Liberties, and John Levering of Lower Merion township, Montgomery county, have associated themselves together for the purpose of forming, founding and establishing an Academic and Collegiate Institute, to be located in the township of Roxborough, and known by the name, style and title of Rittenhouse College, and the aforesaid persons are desirous of being incorporated as a body corporate and politic in law, for the more effectual and permanent furthering and perpetuation of the aforesaid object; Therefore, Preamble relative to Rittenhouse College in Montgomery co.

SECTION 29. From and after the passage of this act, the before mentioned Charles V. Hagner, Michael Snyder, Joseph Ripka, George W. Davis, Hiram Ellis, George W. Smick, Nicholas Rittenhouse, Francis Murphy, William Rawley, Wyndham Stokes, William W. Chew, Dr. George W. Riter, Jacob Engelman, William Rheiner, Pierce Butler, Samuel Breck, Tobias Wagner, William Stavely, Alexander M. Peltz, and John Levering, and their successors in office, appointed as is hereinafter provided, be, and shall hereafter, until this charter is repealed, remain a body corporate, in law and in fact, under the name, style and title of the President and Fellows of Rittenhouse College, and that by this act they be, and are hereby vested with the following powers, as a body corporate: Style and title of corporation.

First: To purchase, erect, hold, and keep in repair the necessary grounds, lots, edifices and buildings for the accommodation of the institution, and the professors, teachers and pupils thereof, which property they shall in nowise sell, Powers to purchase and hold property.

alien or convey, without liberty previously granted by the legislature of this state:

To receive donations. Second: They shall have power to hold property left by donation or gift, or in trust for the benefit and use of the college, and to manage and dispose of the same according to the true intention of the doners, so far as in their opinion the same shall conduce to the good of the institution:

To appoint officers. Third: They shall have power to appoint the officers of their own board, and the president, professors, tutors, and all officers belonging to the institution; also to enact by-laws, to regulate their own proceedings, and for the regulation, management and government of every department of the college:

Seal. Fourth: They shall have power to make and use one common seal, and the same to change, alter or renew at pleasure:

To have the same powers as other similar institutions. Proviso. Fifth: For the more effectual furthering of the aforesaid objects, they shall have the same powers generally as are granted to other academic and collegiate institutions within this state: *Provided*, they shall in nowise contravene the laws or constitution of this state or of the United States: *And it is further provided*, That the president of the college, the Governor of this state, and the Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives, shall be ex-officio members of this corporation.

Relative to appointment of trustees, &c. &c. SECTION 30. That the term for which the trustees or fellows of this institution shall be appointed, shall not exceed seven years, and at the first meeting of the board after the acceptation of this charter, they shall so apportion themselves by lot, that the term of service of three of their number shall annually expire on the first day of June, commencing on the first day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; and to supply such vacancies, the freemen of the township of Roxborough shall annually, commencing in March, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight, at their annual meeting for the election of township officers, elect one member of said board, who at the time of said election shall be a resident citizen of said township, and be entitled to a seat and voice in said board, from and after the first day of June then ensuing, for the term of seven years, and in like manner, and for the like term, shall the Senate and House of Representatives each respectively appoint one judicious citizen of this state annually, to the said office of trustee or fellow of Rittenhouse College: *Provided*, That in case of neglect, omission, or failure to elect successors, then those in office shall so continue until their successors be chosen, and a majority of the board shall have power to fill vacancies for the unex-

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pired term of its members, whose seats may become vacant by death, resignation, removal from the state, or any other disqualification; and in case of the dissolution of this corporation, from any cause whatsoever, all the property, real or personal, belonging thereto, shall revert to the guardianship of the legislature of this state, for the furtherance of the cause of education in this vicinity.

SECTION 31. That Gaskill street, running from Fifth to Sixth, between Lombard and South streets, in the city of Philadelphia, which was viewed under an order of the court of Quarter Sessions of the county of Philadelphia, and ordered to be opened by the report of the jury, filed June twenty-sixth, Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and thirty-six, be, and the same is hereby vacated. Relative to Gaskill st., in Philad'a.

SECTION 32. The Haneyoy creek, a branch of the Oswago, shall be, and is hereby declared to be a public highway, from the junction of the same with the Oswago creek to the New York state line, subject to the same regulations as other navigable streams heretofore declared to be public highways. Haneyoy creek declared a public highway to N. York state line.

SECTION 33. The time fixed by law for continuing the Little Schuylkill Navigation Railroad and Coal company to Reading and the foot of the Broad Mountain, be, and the same is hereby extended to five years from the date of this act. Time for continuing the L. S. Nav. R. R. and C. Co., extended.

SECTION 34. The West Philadelphia Railroad company shall have power to borrow money on loan, to enable them to finish and complete their works, and to carry into effect the objects of their charter, and for no other purpose, and to give mortgages, certificates, or other evidences of debt, and securities for the payment thereof, the same to be convertible, or not convertible, into stock, as shall be agreed upon by said company, and the lender or lenders thereof, their representatives or assigns. The West Philad. Railroad company, authorized to borrow money to finish their road.

LEWIS DEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS S. CUNNINGHAM,

Speaker of the Senate.

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

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