

proper to purchase the said bridge for the purpose of making it a free bridge, the said company shall be obliged to sell the said bridge for such sum as a jury of twelve disinterested men, appointed by the court of Common Pleas in either of the above mentioned counties, may adjudge the same to be worth, estimating the tolls at six per cent. per annum on the cost of construction.

LEWIS DEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES B. PENROSE,

Speaker of the Senate.

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

JOS. RITNER.

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No. 79.

### An Act

To encourage the destruction of Foxes and Wild Cats, in the counties of Lebanon, Luzerne, Wayne, Pike, Monroe, Susquehanna and Tioga.

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 from and after the passing of this act any person or persons who may kill any fox or foxes, wild cat or wild cats, within the bounds of the county of Lebanon, in this commonwealth, and who shall produce the scalp or scalps; having the ears thereon, before any justice of the peace in and for said county, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of such justice to examine such person or persons, on oath or affirmation, touching the time when and the place where such fox or foxes, wild cat or wild cats, was or were taken and killed, and if the place or places of such taking and killing shall be found to be within the bounds of the aforesaid county, it shall be the duty of such justice to give the person or persons a certificate of the facts to the commissioners of said county, together with the scalp or scalps as aforesaid, and the said commissioners, upon the receipt thereof, shall immediately have such scalp or scalps destroyed; and thereupon draw their warrant on the county treasurer, if for

**Premiums.** the scalp of a full grown fox, the sum of fifty cents, and for those that are not full grown the sum of twenty-five cents, and if for the scalp of a full grown wild cat, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents, and for those that are not full grown the sum of seventy-five cents for each and every scalp so produced as aforesaid; and it shall be the duty of such treasurer, and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of said order.

Scalps of  
foxes & wild  
cats killed in  
Luzerne,  
Wayne,  
Pike, Mon-  
roe, Tioga  
and Susq'a  
counties.

**SECTION 2.** That from and after the passage of this act, any person or persons who may kill any red or grey fox or foxes, wild cat or wild cats, within the counties of Luzerne, Wayne, Pike, Monroe, Tioga and Susquehanna, in this commonwealth, and who shall produce the scalp of such fox or foxes, wild cat or wild cats, having the ears thereon, before any justice of the peace in and for the county in which the same has been taken, it shall be the duty of such to examine such person or persons, on oath or affirmation, touching the place where and time when such fox or foxes, wild cat or wild cats, was or were taken and killed, and if the place or places of such taking and killing shall be found to be within the bounds of the proper county, it shall be the duty of such justice to give the person or persons a certificate of the facts, to the commissioners of the county, together with the scalps as aforesaid; and the said commissioners, upon the receipt thereof, shall immediately have such scalp or scalps destroyed, and thereupon draw their warrant on the county treasurer of the proper county; for the scalp of a full grown red or grey fox, fifty cents, and if for the scalp of a full grown wild cat, seventy-five cents, and for those that are not full grown, either fox or wild cat, twenty-five cents, for each and every scalp so produced as aforesaid; and it shall be the duty of such treasurer, and he is hereby directed to pay the amount of said order.

Premium for  
fox scalps.  
Premium for  
wild cat  
scalps.

Repeal.

**SECTION 3.** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of any former act or acts, as are hereby altered and supplied, be and they are hereby repealed.

LEWIS DEWART,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES B. PENROSE,

Speaker of the Senate.

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

JOS. RITNER.