

[No. 46.]

AN ACT

To authorize the Canal Commissioners to inquire into the claims for damages sustained by the Western Transportation Company, doing business under the firm of D. Leech and 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 canal commissioners are hereby required to inquire into the following claims of the Western Transportation company, doing business under the firm of D. Leech and Company, to wit: first, for damages sustained by the burning of their cars and freight on the Portage railroad: second, for damages done their freight and passenger cars on the Philadelphia, Columbia and Portage railroad, and on the inclined planes; third, for damages done their cars taken into public service by order of General Patterson to transport the troops, in December, eighteen hundred and thirty-eight; fourth, for bedding furnished said troops in Harrisburg, the estimate therefor not to exceed one hundred dollars; and fifth, for certain tolls alleged to have been overcharged in the year eighteen hundred and thirty-nine, on the Western Division of the Pennsylvania canal; and if said commissioners are satisfied from the evidence that said claims are just, that said cars and freight were injured through the misconduct or negligence of the state agents, and that said tolls were improperly or erroneously charged, then they shall make a fair and just estimate of the damages sustained, which shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Canal commissioners to inquire into damages sustained by Western Transportation company

Tolls overcharged.

WM. A. CRABB,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

JN. H. EWING,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED--This nineteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-one.

DAVID R. PORTER