

No. 671.

AN ACT

For the relief of certain heirs of Conrad Weiser deceased.

WHEREAS, Thomas Penn and Richard Penn by patent bearing date the seventh day of July, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-five, granted and confirmed unto Conrad Weiser, in consideration of his services as Indian interpreter, a certain tract of land situate on the north-east side of the Susquehanna river, in Berks, now Northumberland county, containing three hundred and five acres and thirty-six perches and allowance, and also an island in the said Susquehanna river, opposite to the said tract of land, containing fifty-five acres and one hundred and forty-one perches and allowance; which said land was subsequently discovered to be north of and beyond the limits of the land then purchased from the indians, and belonging to said Thomas and John Penn, and the title granted to the said Conrad Weiser as aforesaid, has been decided by the Supreme court of this Commonwealth to be invalid:

And whereas, The heirs of said Conrad Weiser after his decease, entered into a deed of partition by which his title to the said land and island above described, was vested in one of his sons Frederick Weiser from whom it descended, and vested in Peter Weiser a son of said Frederick, from whom it was recovered by adverse claimants, thereby throwing the whole loss of said property upon the said Peter Weiser and his heirs; therefore,

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 B. Packer of Northumberland county, be and he is hereby appointed a commissioner to enquire into the facts of the case, and report to the Legislature the amount which may be justly and equitably due to the heirs of the said Peter Weiser, deceased, from the commonwealth, as an indemnification for the losses sustained by them, by reason of the failure of the title aforesaid.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.