

1799. shall afterwards be drawn, and the residue of the land heretofore by law appropriated for satisfying claims to donation lands shall revert to the commonwealth, and be disposed of in such manner as shall be directed by law in relation to other lands, the property of the state.

Passed 11th April, 1799.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 3.

## CHAPTER MMLXXI.

*An ACT to declare Fishing creek, and one of its branches, in the county of Northumberland, public highways.*

SECT. I. *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, Fishing creek, in the county of Northumberland, from the mouth up to the main fork thereof, and that branch commonly called Little Fishing creek, from the mouth to John Eves's mill, shall be, and the same are hereby declared to be public highways, for the passage of boats and rafts, under the limitations and restrictions herein specified; and it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants, desirous of using the navigation of said creek, to remove all natural and artificial obstructions, from the mouth thereof up the main fork, and that branch called Little Fishing creek up to John Eves's mill aforesaid, and to erect such slopes or locks at the mill-dams now built, as may be necessary for the passage of boats, rafts and fish; provided such slopes or locks shall be so constructed, as not to injure the works of said dams.

Fishing creek and Little Fishing creek declared highways;

and provision made for removing obstructions.

The rights of owners of lands to erect dams preserved.

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That* nothing in this act contained shall be deemed, taken or understood to prevent any person or persons, possessing lands on the said creeks, or either of them, who, before the passing of this act, had authority under the laws of this commonwealth to erect a dam or dams, from erecting such dam or dams: *Provided always, That* such dam or dams be so constructed, and kept in repair by the owners thereof, with complete slopes and locks on convenient parts of such dams, as that the navigation for boats and rafts, and the passage of fish, will not be injured thereby.

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## CHAPTER MMLXXII.

*An ACT empowering certain trustees therein named, to sell and dispose of a certain tract of land, situate partly in Upper and partly in Lower Mount-Bethel townships, in the county of Northampton, and to appropriate the monies arising from the sale thereof for the purposes therein mentioned.*

SECT. 1. [THE premises occupied as a parsonage, &c. by the Presbyterian congregation of Lower Mount Bethel, in Northamp-