

every of their appurtenances, are and shall be vested in the said Henry Gurney, his heirs and assigns, and that the said Henry Gurney and his heirs now do stand, and from and after the publication of this act, shall stand seized of the said premises and of every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenance to and for the proper use and behoof of the said Henry Gurney, his heirs and assigns forever, as effectually in law and equity to all intents and purposes as if the said several deeds herein, or meant or mentioned to be herein recited, or any of them had not been damaged, defaced or destroyed, and that the title of the said Henry Gurney to all and every part and parcel of the said messuages, lots, lands, tenements and hereditaments with the appurtenances, shall not be anywise prejudiced or impeached in any court of law or equity for or by reason of the loss or destruction of the said deeds or any of them or for want of producing the same; subject nevertheless to such rents, estates and encumbrances as are or may be legally charged on the same or any part or parcel thereof.

Passed March 11, 1784. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 235, etc.

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## CHAPTER MLXXI.

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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC FERRY OVER THE YOUGHIOGHENY RIVER, AND FOR VESTING THE RIGHT IN JOHN SUMRALL, HIS HEIRS AND ASSIGNS.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas John Sumrall hath, by petition, presented to this house, represented, that for many years past he hath kept a ferry over the Youghioghenny river, at his plantation; and that a good and well conducted ferry at that place would be a public benefit; therefore prayed, that his ferry might be established by a law, and the right vested in him, his heirs and assigns.

[Section I.] (Section II, P. L.) Be it therefore enacted and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful, from and after the passing of this act, for the said Sumrall, his heirs and assigns, at his and their own proper cost and charge, to make or cause to be made a good and convenient landing upon both sides of the river Youghiogheny, at, or near the place where he hath formerly kept the ferry, and shall at all times hereafter maintain the same in good order and repair, fit for men, horses and carriages to pass and repass; and further the said John Sumrall, his heirs and assigns, shall provide and maintain a good and substantial boat or boats, and careful ferrymen, who shall duly and constantly, as occasion may require attend for the purpose of transporting travellers over the said river; which ferry shall be subject to such rules, rates and regulations, as the legislature of this state may in future direct and appoint.

[Section II.] Provided always, That nothing contained in this act shall be construed to vest a right in the said John Sumrall, his heirs and assigns, to land any boat or boats upon any landing belonging to any other person or persons without their consent first had and obtained.

Passed March 11, 1784. Recorded L. B. No. 2, p. 241, etc.

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## CHAPTER MLXXII.

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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC FERRY AT THE TOWN OF PITTSBURG, IN WESTMORELAND COUNTY, AND FOR VESTING THE RIGHT IN JOHN ORMSBY, HIS HEIRS AND ASSIGNS FOREVER.

(Section I, P. L.) Whereas John Ormsby hath represented by his petition to this house, that he for many years past has to the great conveniency of travellers kept a ferry from the town of Pittsburg and over the Monongahela river; this house being fully convinced that the establishing a public ferry from the town of Pittsburg and vesting the right in John Ormsby, his heirs and assigns forever, will be a public benefit: