

left her, and hath now been absent more than five years and six months, and it is believed that the said Cornelius was married to another woman, who is yet living, previous to his marriage with the said Elizabeth; and that though the said Elizabeth might possibly obtain a divorce by application to, and attendance on the supreme court, yet that she is unable by reason of poverty to travel to Philadelphia, and attend the proceedings of said court, and pay the expenses incident thereto; and therefore, has prayed legislative aid, and it being just and reasonable that relief should be afforded in such cases: Therefore,

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) 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 aforesaid, That the marriage of the said Cornelius Burk, and Elizabeth Burk, be, and the same is hereby annulled to all intents and purposes whatsoever, and they are hereby set free, and totally discharged from the said matrimonial contract, and from all duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully, and absolutely as if they had never been joined in matrimony.

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## CHAPTER MMCDXVIII.

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AN ACT DECLARING LE BOEUF CREEK, IN THE COUNTY OF ERIE, FROM THE TOWN OF WATERFORD TO BROTHERTON'S MILLS, A PUBLIC HIGHWAY.

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) 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, Le Boeuf creek, in the county of Erie, from the town of Waterford up to Brotherton's mills, be and the same is hereby declared a public highway, for the passage of rafts, boats, or other vessels, and it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants and others, desirous of using the navigation of

said creek, to remove all the natural obstructions in the said creek: Provided, that any person or persons, owning or possessing land on said creek, shall have liberty to erect any dam, or dams, across the same, agreeably, and subject to all the restrictions, and provisions of an act of the general assembly of this commonwealth, passed the twenty-third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and three,<sup>(1)</sup> entitled "An act, to authorize any person or persons, owning lands adjoining navigable streams of water, declared public highways, to erect dams upon such streams for mills and other water works."

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 Note (1). Chapter 2353; Supra this volume, p. 297.

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## CHAPTER MMCDXIX.

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### AN ACT TO INCORPORATE "THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA."

Whereas, an association of citizens hath heretofore been formed in the city of Philadelphia, under the title of "The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia," for the purpose of making insurances upon maritime and other risks, and the object and operation of the said association meriting legislative encouragement and aid, inasmuch as they are calculated to promote the security and independence, as well as to alleviate the misfortunes and losses of commerce and navigation: Therefore to facilitate the transactions of the said association by the aid of an act of incorporation,

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) 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 all and every the persons who shall, at the time of the passing of this act, be members of the said association, called "The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia," and proprietors of the capital stock thereof, shall be, and they are hereby created and declared to be one body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of "The