ternately strike off one name, until seven only shall remain; which said seven freeholders (ten days notice of the time and place of meeting being previously given by the said person complaining to the said president or to one of the said managers) shall proceed to view and ascertain whether any, and if any, what damages or injury have been or shall be sustained by the said party complaining, in consequence of the proceedings had in the premises; and the award of the said freeholders or a majority of them, being filed in the prothonotary's office of Bucks county, shall be binding on both parties and be final.

Section II. (Section II, P. L. (And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the term limited for finishing said bridge, and recited in the act to which this is a supplement, shall be and the same hereby is further extended to the term of four years, to commence from the passing of this act; and if the company, at the expiration of said four years, shall not have completed the said bridge, it shall and may be lawful for the legislature of this commonwealth to resume all and singular the rights, liberties and privileges hereby granted to the said company.

Approved April 2 1804. Recorded in L. B. No. 10, p. 5. Note (1) Chapter 2011; 16 Statutes at Large p. 137.

## CHAPTER MMCDXCI.

AN ACT CONFERRING CERTAIN POWERS ON THE COMMISSIONERS OF BERKS COUNTY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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 the commissioners of Berks county shall have full power and authority, and they are hereby enabled to settle, compromise and compound with Obadiah Osburn and his sureties, or any of them, any claim, demand, cause or causes of action, which the said commissioners, in behalf of the said county, now have or at any time hereafter might have against the said Obadiah Osburn or

his sureties for non-performance on his part, of a certain bond and contract entered into for the erection of a wooden bridge over the Schuylkill, at or near Reading.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And whereas it is represented that the county of Berks hath expended nearly thirty thousand dollars in building a bridge over the river Schuyl kill, near Reading, and that it will require near seventy thou sand dollars to complete the same, if built of stone; and the citizens of that county being desirous to have the said bridge built of stone rather than of wood, as was originally contemplated; and it appearing by a statement of the comptroller-general, that the sum of four thousand seven hundred eighty-nine dollars and twelve cents, is vet due owing to this commonwealth, of the arrears of state taxes, in the county of Berks, and such laudable and spirited undertakings, being highly deserving of public encouragement: Therefore, Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid. That all the arrears of taxes due from the county of Berks to this commonwealth, five hundred dollars already appropriated for rebuilding the bridges over Swatara and Deep creeks, on the Tulpehocken road, only excepted, be, and they hereby are granted to the commissioners of said county, to be applied in aid of the said county, towards defraying the expense of erecting a stone bridge over Schuylkill near Reading; and all the necessary powers, are hereby vested in and granted to the said commissioners, to collect, recover and receive the said arrearages, from the persons, districts or townships where the same may be due within the said county.

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## CHAPTER MMCDXCII.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING JACOB EICHELBERGER AND FREDERICK SHULTZ TO SELL AND CONVEY A CERTAIN LOT OF LAND IN HEIDELBERG TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF YORK, BELONGING TO THE GERMAN LUTHERAN CONGREGATION IN AND NEAR HANOVER, IN THE SAID COUNTY.

Section I. (Section I, P. L.) Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Penn-