

inhabitants, and others, desirous of using the navigation of the said creek, to remove all natural and artificial obstructions, which may be in the same, excepting dams for mills and other water-works; and also to erect such slopes, at the mill-dams now built in the said creek, as may be necessary for the passage of rafts, boats or other vessels: Provided, such slopes be so constructed as not to injure the works of said dams: And provided also, that any person or persons, owning or possessing lands on said creek, shall have liberty to construct 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, 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."⁽¹⁾

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Note (1) Chapter 2353; 17 Statutes at Large, p. 297.

CHAPTER MMCMIII.

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE TRUSTEES OF THE GERMAN LUTHERAN CONGREGATION, OF THE TOWNSHIPS OF ALBANY AND LINN IN BERKS AND NORTHAMPTON COUNTIES, TO CONVEY TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GERMAN REFORMED CONGREGATION, AN EQUAL RIGHT TO A CHURCH AND TRACT OF LAND THEREIN DESCRIBED.

Whereas it is represented that the Reverend Henry Melchior Muhlenberg by deed poll, dated the tenth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy, conveyed a church and tract of fifty acres of land to Philip Stambach, Jacob Gortner, Valentine Brobst, Matthias Brobst and George Kestler and their successors, trustees of the German Lutheran Congregation; in the townships of Albany and Linn in the counties of Berks and Northampton, in trust to, and for the only proper use, and behoof of an Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, in the aforesaid townships and counties, that the said church is now very much out of repair, and must be re-

built and that the members of the said Lutheran Congregation are desirous and willing to give to the members of the German Reformed Congregation in the said townships and counties, an equal right with themselves to the said church and tract of land, because the members of the said German Reformed church are willing to assist in rebuilding the said church, and in supporting the same for the future. And whereas a great number of the members of both the said congregations have applied to the legislature to pass a law, authorizing and empowering the present trustees of the said Lutheran Congregation or their successors, to convey to the trustees of the said Reformed Congregation, an equal right to the said church and tract of land, as soon as the trustees last mentioned have paid to or satisfied the trustees of the said Lutheran Congregation, one half of the expense of the rebuilding of the said church or so much thereof, as they may be satisfied with. And whereas it is reasonable to grant a request which contemplates an extension of the means of religious worship: 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 of the same, That the trustees of the German Lutheran Congregation of the townships of Albany and Linn, in the counties of Berks and Northampton or their successors be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to convey to the trustees of the German Reformed Congregation, in the townships and counties aforesaid, in trust for the use of the said German Reformed Congregation, an equal right in the church and tract of fifty acres of land, which the Reverend Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg by deed poll, dated the tenth day of July, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy, conveyed to the trustees of the said German Lutheran Congregation, as soon as the trustees of the said German Reformed Congregation, shall have paid to or satisfied them one half of the expense of the rebuilding of the said church or so much thereof, as the trustees of the said German Lutheran Congregation may be satisfied with.

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