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any time hereafter connect their Delaware canal with the canal of the said company, at such point or points at or near Carpenter's Point, and in such manner and on such terms and conditions as shall be determined on by two competent disinterested engineers, one to be appointed by the state and one by the company, and if they cannot agree, a third to be chosen by the two as above appointed, whose decision, or that of any two of them, is to be conclusive.

FRED'K SMITH, *Speaker*
of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL STURGEON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—the twenty-third day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

GEO. WOLF.

No. 9.

RESOLUTIONS

Relative to a revised code of Pennsylvania.

RESOLVE 1. *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in general assembly met,* That the Governor be and he is hereby authorised and required to appoint three competent persons, learned in the laws of this commonwealth, as commissioners to revise, collate and digest all such public acts and statutes of the civil code of this state, and all such British statutes in force in this state, as are general and permanent in their nature, allotting to such commissioners their parts respectively, as he shall deem fit: *Provided also,* That the said commissioners shall examine, correct and approve the separate labours of each.

RESOLVE 2. *And be it further resolved,* That it shall be the duty of the revisers to carefully collect and reduce into one act, the different acts and parts of acts which from similarity of subject ought to be so arranged and consolidated; to divest the said acts of all redundant phrases and useless verbiage; to distribute and arrange the several acts systematically, under proper titles, divisions and sections; to omit in the revision all such acts or parts of acts as shall have been repealed or supplied by subsequent acts, or which may have expired by their own limitation; to suggest to the legislature such contradictions, omissions or imperfections, as may appear in

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the statutes, to be revised, and the mode in which the same may be reconciled, supplied or amended; to designate such acts or parts of acts which ought to be repealed, and recommend the passage of such new acts or parts of acts as such repeal may render necessary; and generally it shall be the duty of the revisers to execute the duties hereby confided to them, in such a manner as to render the statute laws of Pennsylvania more simple, plain and perfect: *Provided, nevertheless,* That in the revision and collocation of the statutes, no such change shall be made in their phraseology by which their true intent and meaning shall in any wise be impaired, altered or affected, except in those instances in which it shall be expressly intended and proposed to amend or change the existing provisions of such statutes.

Provided.

RESOLVE 3. *And be it further resolved,* That it shall be the duty of the persons so appointed, together with the duties enjoined by the preceding resolutions, to report whether it would be expedient to introduce any, and if any, what change in the forms and mode of proceeding in the administration of the laws.

Expediency of changes relative to administration of laws.

RESOLVE 4. *And be it further resolved,* That the revisers shall be allowed the term of two years, if necessary, to complete the duties assigned to them in and by these resolutions, and on the completion of the duties so assigned, shall report the result of their labors to the legislature, and in the execution of those duties they shall have free access to any public records or papers of this state, and be permitted to examine the same without fee or reward.

Time allowed.

Access to public records.

RESOLVE 5. *And be it further resolved,* That the revisers be and they are hereby allowed such compensation as the legislature shall deem them entitled to.

Compensation.

RESOLVE 6. *And be it further resolved,* That the revisers be and they are hereby directed to revise the several statutes relative to the settlement of accounts before registers, and proceedings in the orphans' courts, as soon as conveniently may be, and report the same for the determination of the general assembly at their next session.

Partial report to next legislature.

FRED'K SMITH, *Speaker*
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