

part of the said counties, shall for every share subscribed by them
 vest in such county commissioners, and their successors, for
 the use of the county, all the rights and emoluments apper-
 taining to a share or shares as those held by individual stock-
 holders, and the commissioners of each county shall, and they
 are hereby authorized to appoint a manager in said county, at
 such time as they think proper, and remove the same and ap-
 point another in his place whenever they may deem it neces-
 sary, and the managers so appointed shall have all the rights,
 privileges and authority of managers chosen by the stockhold-
 ers, agreeably to the act of incorporation, and the board shall
 consist of eight managers, five of whom, including one of said
 county managers, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction
 of business.

Shares to vest
in county.

County mana-
ger how ap-
pointed.

Board.

WM. HOPKINS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

E. KINGSBURY, Jr.

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fifth day of May, A. D., eighteen
hundred and forty.

DAVID R. PORTER.

[No. 202.]

A N A C T

To incorporate the French Creek Bridge Company.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of
Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Ge-
neral Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the autho-
rity of the same: That Edward Pearce, Wm. Henry, Saml.
F. Dale, James Kinnear, Hugh McClelland, and Jno. Evans,
be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners, to do and
perform the several duties hereinafter named, they or any three
of them shall, on or before the first day of March next, procure
one or more books, and therein enter as follows: We, whose
names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay to the presi-
dent, managers, and company, for erecting a bridge over
French creek, at the town of Franklin, where the Warren and
Franklin turnpike road strikes said creek, the sum of twenty*

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dollars for every share of stock, in the said company, set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the president and managers, in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly, authorizing the Governor to incorporate a company, to erect a toll bridge over French creek, at the town of Franklin. Witness our hands this day of , Anno Domini, eighteen hundred and forty, and shall thereupon proceed to receive subscriptions for the stock of said company, at such times and places as they shall think proper.

SECTION 2. When fifty or more shares of stock shall have been subscribed, the said commissioners, or any three of them, shall certify under their hands and seals, the names of the subscribers, and the number of shares subscribed, and thereupon, it shall and may be lawful for the governor, by letters patent, under his hand and the seal of the state, to create and erect the said subscribers, and those who may afterwards subscribe into one body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style, and title of "The French creek bridge," and Name, style by the said name, the said subscribers shall have perpetual suc- and title. cession, and all privileges and purchases incident to a corpora. Privileges. tion, and shall be capable of taking and holding their said capital stock, and the increase and profits thereof, and of enlarging the same from time to time by new subscriptions, in such manner and form as they shall think proper, if such enlargement should be found necessary to fulfil the intent of this act, and of taking, purchasing, and holding to them, and their successors, in fee simple, or for any less estate, all such lands, tenements, hereditaments, and estates, real and personal, as shall be necessary and convenient to them, in the prosecution of their works, and the same to sell and dispose of at their pleasure, of suing and being sued, and of doing all and every matter or thing which a body corporate or body politic may lawfully do.

SECTION 3. A majority of persons named in the letters pat- Election of ent, shall, as soon as conveniently may be, after receiving the officers. same, give notice in any one or two newspapers of the county of Venango, of the time and place by them appointed, not less than twenty days from the time of issuing the first notice, of which time and place the said subscribers shall proceed to organize the said corporation, and shall choose by a majority of votes of the said subscribers, by ballot in person, one president and two managers, and such other officers as they may think necessary to conduct the business of said company for one year, and until other officers shall be chosen, and may make such by-laws, rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of this commonwealth, as shall be necessary for the well ordering the affairs of the said company: Provided, That Proviso. each subscriber holding one share shall be entitled to one vote,

three shares shall entitle the holder to two votes, five shares shall entitle the holder to four votes, and ten shares shall entitle the holder to five votes, and that no number of shares over ten, shall entitle the holder thereof to more than five votes, and to have like powers, authorities and privileges for erecting and completing said bridge, not otherwise provided for in this act, and to be subject to all the duties, restrictions, penalties, fines and forfeitures, as are granted and imposed by an act entitled "An act incorporating the Franklin Bridge Company," passed the twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen.

Ratio of votes

Certificates of stock.

Transferable.

Authority to enter upon lands &c.

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SECTION 4. The president and managers shall procure certificates of stock in the said company, which shall be signed by the president and countersigned by the treasurer, and each stockholder shall be entitled to a certificate for each share by him subscribed or held, by paying to the treasurer, in part, for the sum due thereon five dollars on each share, which certificates shall be transferable on the books of said company, either by the owner in person, or by attorney duly authorized, in the presence of the president or treasurer for the time being, subject however, to the payment due or growing due thereon, and the person to whom such transfer shall be made shall stand in the place of the former holder, and be entitled to the privileges, and be liable to the same responsibility to the company.

SECTION 5. It shall and may be lawful for the said president and managers, by and with their superintendents, engineer and persons with whom they may contract for the erection of any part of said bridge, their artists, workmen and laborers, with tools and instruments, carts, wagons, boats and other carriages, and beasts of draught or burden, to enter in and upon the lands and shores of the creek contiguous thereto, and near to which the said bridge shall be built, first giving notice to the owners or keepers thereof, and doing as little damage as possible, and to cut down, dig, take and carry away any timber, sand, stone, earth or other materials necessary or suitable for the building of said bridge and keeping the same in repair: *Provided*, That in case of disagreement with the owner or owners about the value of the said materials and damages done as aforesaid, the like proceedings in like manner shall be had by the parties as is provided by the eleventh section of an act entitled "An act authorizing the governor to incorporate the Hanover and Codorus rail road company," except that the jury or men appointed shall be of the county of Venango: *Provided also*, That nothing herein contained shall give said company the right of interfering with or injuring any of the public works contiguous or near said bridge, nor in any way stop, injure or interrupt the navigation of said French Creek,

or prevent or impede rafts, boats or other crafts from passing up and down the said creek or crossing the same.

SECTION 6. If the said company shall not proceed to carry on the said work within one year after they shall have been incorporated, or shall not within the space of two years therefrom complete 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.

Time for
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SECTION 7. That when a good and substantial bridge is erected over French creek, as aforesaid, the property shall be vested in the said company, their successors and assigns, they may demand and receive toll from travellers, and others, agreeably to the following rates, to wit: For every carriage, of whatever description, used for the purpose of trade or agriculture, having four wheels, and drawn by six horses, sixty-two and a-half cents; for every such carriage as above, having four wheels, and drawn by five horses, fifty cents; for every such carriage with four wheels, and drawn by four horses, forty-four cents; for every such carriage drawn by three horses, thirty seven and a-half cents; for every such carriage drawn by two horses, twenty-five cents; for every such carriage drawn by one horse, twelve and a-half cents; for every such carriage used for personal accommodation or pleasure, having four wheels, and drawn by four horses, fifty cents; for every such carriage having four wheels, and drawn by two horses, thirty-seven and a-half cents; for every such carriage having four wheels, and drawn by one horse, twenty-five cents; for every chaise, riding chair, or sulkey, for each horse used therein, twelve and a-half cents; for every sled used for the purpose of trade or agriculture, drawn by two horses, twelve and a-half cents; for every additional horse three cents; for every such sled drawn by one horse, ten cents; for every pleasure sleigh drawn by one horse, twelve and a-half cents; for every additional horse five cents; for every horse and rider five cents; for every foot passenger two cents; for every head of horned cattle one cent; for every head of sheep or swine five mills; and in fixing the toll of all carriages to be drawn by oxen, and partly by oxen, and partly by horses, two oxen to be estimated equal to one horse; a mule to be estimated as a horse: *Provided*, That any person or persons attending funerals, any detachment of militia of this State, or militia attending on days of training, persons attending elections, all persons going to or returning from divine service, and students and children of any school shall, at all times, be suffered to pass said bridge toll free.

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SECTION 8. It shall be lawful for the commissioners of the county of Venango to purchase, for the use of said county, from said company, the said bridge, on payment to the cor-

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porators of the sum by them expended, with legal interest thereon; and the privileges hereby granted to said corporators shall, on payment, as aforesaid, be exercised and enjoyed by said commissioners, for the use of the county aforesaid.

WM. HOPKINS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

EB. KINGSBURY, Jr.

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fifth day of May, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and forty.

DAVID R. PORTER.

[No. 203.]

AN ACT

To incorporate the president and managers of the Armstrong, Jefferson and Clearfield Turnpike Road Company.

SECTION 1. *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 James Kerr, Hance Robinson, Jacob Miller, of the county of Armstrong, and Hiram Wilson, William Jack, John Dougherty, Jacob Shaffer, of the county of Jefferson, and Isaac Horton, Daniel Oyster, Uriah Rogers, Jonathan Nichols, of the county of Clearfield, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several things hereinafter mentioned, that is to say, they shall on or before the first Monday of November next procure two books, and in each of them enter as follows: We, whose names are hereunto subscribed do promise to pay to the president and managers of the Armstrong, Jefferson and Clearfield turnpike road company, the sum of twenty-five dollars for every share of stock set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the president and managers of said company in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of this common-

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