

said commissioners, to the best advantage in repairing, mending and improving said turnpike road through the counties of Warren, Jefferson and Elk.

SECTION 2. That the said commissioners, before they enter upon Oath of commission-
their duties, shall take an oath or affirmation before a justice of the sioners.
peace, to perform their duties with fidelity, and to have the taxes
expended in the repairing and keeping in repair the said turnpike road,
at the same time as supervisors of the highways are now compelled to
do by the existing laws of this commonwealth.

SECTION 3. That Richard Dunham and Erastus Barnes, of the county Appointment of
of Warren, and Joseph S. Hyde, of the county of Elk, be and they commissioners.
are hereby appointed said commissioners, and shall receive one dollar
per day for each and every day they may be actually engaged in having
said road repaired: *Provided*, That in the case of death or resignation
in said board of commissioners, the court of general quarter sessions of
Warren county, may, by appointment, supply said vacancy: *Provided*,
further, That said commissioners shall annually settle their accounts
with the auditors of the several townships mentioned in this act; so
much of any act as is hereby altered or supplied, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That the time for the completion of the Dingman's Choice Dingman's
turnpike road, be and the same is hereby extended for the term of two Choice turnpike
years, from and after the time fixed by the act incorporating the Ding- road.
man's Choice turnpike road company.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred
and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 189.

A N A C T

To reduce the capital stock of the Manufacturers' and Mechanics' Bank of the
Northern Liberties, in the county of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly
met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That
the capital stock of the Manufacturers' and Mechanics' Bank shall be Capital reduced.
and the same hereby is reduced from six hundred thousand dollars to
three hundred thousand dollars; and the shares thereof, from fifty to
twenty-five dollars each, and the directors thereof shall forthwith cause
new certificates to be prepared for each of the stockholders of said bank, Certificates.
certifying their several interests in the same, according to said reduction,
and upon the delivery of the same cause the old certificates to be sur-

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rendered and cancelled, and in like manner for all new certificates hereafter issued on the transfer and sale of any stock in said bank; and from and after the passage of this act all the laws now in force for regulating the affairs of said bank, and the officers thereof, and the dividends and profits thereof, and the taxes and duties thereon, shall apply to and be binding on the said bank, as if the capital stock thereof had been originally limited to the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, and the shares thereof to twenty-five dollars each.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 190.

AN ACT

Authorizing the canal commissioners to examine and adjust the claim of Mercy Bennett.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It is alleged by Mercy Bennett, of Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, that great injustice has been done to the estate of her late husband, John Bennett, deceased, by compelling the building of a farm bridge across the West Branch canal, as she is fully prepared to prove; therefore,

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 the canal commissioners be and they are hereby authorized and directed to examine the claim of Mercy Bennett, and do such justice in the case as the rule regulating farm bridges will justify; and if any thing should be proved due her or the estate of John Bennett, deceased, there shall be entered a credit for said amount on the books of the Auditor General, bearing interest at the rate of six per centum from the date of such entry.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.