

carriages, wagons and motive power, which shall be adapted thereto, subject to the rules and regulations which may be adopted for the government of the same; if any owner or driver of any car, carriage, wagon or conveyance, upon the said railroad, shall pass by any place appointed for receiving tolls, without making payment thereof, with intent to defraud the said company, he, she or they, so offending, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence, for the use of the said company, ten dollars, to be sued for and recovered by action of debt, before any justice of the peace, in like manner and subject to the same rules and regulations, as debts under one hundred dollars may be sued for and recovered, together with costs of suit: *Provided*, That whenever the tolls aforesaid, shall exceed twelve per centum on the capital expended in completion of the said road, the said company shall pay to the commonwealth a tax of eight per centum on all dividends which may exceed eight per centum on the capital as aforesaid.

Proviso.

Capital stock.

SECTION 6. The capital stock of said company shall be two hundred and twelve thousand five hundred dollars, but the said company shall have the power, from time to time, to increase the said amount of capital in such sums as may be necessary to execute the purpose, and to carry out the intent of this act, either by loans on the security of the road or by issuing additional shares of stock.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

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

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 266.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled “An Act to authorize the governor to incorporate the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company.”

Agents.

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 president and managers of said company be and they are hereby authorized to appoint an agent or agents at such place or places within the United States, as they may deem proper to receive, and allow to be entered in a book or books, to be kept by said agent or agents for that purpose, transfers of the stock of said company, and that transfers of said stock may be made, either at the office of said company, or at such agency or agencies, under such regulations as the said president and managers shall adopt.

SECTION 2. That this act shall not take effect unless its provisions Stockholders' ac- shall be accepted by the stockholders of said company, at a special ceptation. meeting to be called by the president and managers for the purpose of considering the same, of which at least twenty days notice shall be given by the secretary of said company, by advertisement, in two daily papers published in the city of Philadelphia.

SECTION 3. That the said Philadelphia and Reading railroad company Statement. shall, within thirty days from the passage of this act, furnish to the governor to be laid before the legislature a correct statement of the amount of the capital stock and loans of said company, for which certificates have been issued respectively, and the amount of debts due by the said company.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
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A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To "An Act to consolidate and amend the several acts relative to a general system of education by common schools."

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 from and after the passing of this act no person shall be incompetent to give evidence in any suit or action in which any school district, or any officer thereof, is a party, for or on account of the said person being an inhabitant of the township or district, or by reason of his being liable to the payment of any tax in which said school district may be interested. Witnesses.

SECTION 2. That in all cases where any secretary of any board of Certificates. school district has omitted, or shall hereafter omit to file in the prothonotary's office, the certificate required by the eighth section of the act of twelfth April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "A supplement to 'An Act to consolidate the several acts relative to a general system of education by common schools,' passed the thirteenth June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six," within the three months named in said section, such certificate may be filed within five years after the delivery of the warrant and duplicate to the collector, with the same effect as if done within the said three months: *Provided,* That the lien shall only be construed to take effect from the time of the filing of such certificate.