

SECTION 52. That the qualified voters of North-East ward, in the Berks. borough of Reading, in the county of Berks, at their next general election shall determine by ballot whether their general and borough Reading borough. elections shall be held at the house of John Miller or at the house of Samuel B. Graul; and each qualified voter may vote a ticket, on the outside of which shall be written or printed the words "election ward," and on the inside "house of John Miller," or "house of Samuel B. Graul;" and the said elections shall hereafter be held at the place the majority may vote for, until otherwise determined by law; and the result of said election shall be certified by the judge and inspectors of the election, and filed in the office of the court of quarter sessions of the said county.

SECTION 53. That the qualified electors of Paradise township, in the Lancaster. county of Lancaster, shall hereafter hold their township and general elections at the Black Horse tavern, in said township, now occupied by John Rowe.

SECTION 54. That the general and township elections in the township Luzerne. of Hanover, in the counties of Luzerne, shall hereafter be held at the school house near the residence of Bateman Downing.

SECTION 55. That from and after the passage of this act, three-fourths Armstrong. of an acre of ground now belonging to P. Hutchinson and John Furnes, Borough of Kitt- bounded by Walnut street, certain alleys, and the turnpike road in the tanning. borough of Kittanning, Armstrong county, be and the same is hereby attached to the borough of Kittanning; and the persons now residing, or that may hereafter reside on said land, shall enjoy all the privileges and be subject to all the laws relating to said borough.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM P. WILCOX,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eighth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 374.

A N A C T

To authorize the auditor general and state treasurer to receive state stock at par in payment of a judgment the commonwealth holds against Robert B. Wright, late collector at Columbia.

WHEREAS, Robert B. Wright, in one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, as collector of canal and railroad tolls at Columbia, credited Preamble. the Washington line, (a boat and car company,) under the full assurance, from their general credit with business men, as well as from the collateral property assigned, that the company was unquestionably solvent:

And whereas, The said company did fail, by which means the said Robert B. Wright became indebted to the commonwealth in the sum of fifteen hundred twenty-seven dollars and fourteen cents, for which sum he has confessed judgment in favor of the commonwealth: 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 auditor general and state treasurer be and they are hereby authorized and required to receive, in payment of the judgment held by the commonwealth against Robert B. Wright, late collector of tolls, state stock at par, and release the said Robert B. Wright, as fully and effectually as if the said judgment had been paid in par funds: Provided, That the certificate or certificates of state stock tendered by the said Robert B. Wright, in payment of the said judgment, shall be duly transferred by him to the commonwealth; and when so transferred, the said judgment thus paid shall be released and extinguished, and the said certificate or certificates thus transferred shall be immediately cancelled.*

Proviso.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The seventeenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 375.

AN ACT

To authorize an examination of the claim of Stephen Strickland.

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 are hereby authorized and required to examine the claim of Stephen Strickland, for damages alleged to have been sustained by him by reason of the erection of dam number two, on the Tioga line of the North Branch canal, and by breaking away of the embankment extending from the eastern abutment of said dam; and if according to the principle which should be adopted in such cases, said commissioners shall be of opinion that damages should be allowed, they shall assess the same for the land actually swept away, not exceeding twenty-eight acres, and at a rate not exceeding fifty dollars per acre; and the same shall be paid by the state treasurer out of any money not otherwise appropriated.*

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

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

DAVID R. PORTER.