

of the principal teacher of said academy, showing that a school has been taught in said academy for the whole of said quarter, usual vacations excepted, and that at least twenty pupils have attended said school.

SECTION 2. That the aforesaid commissioners are further authorized and required to appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars yearly, to the aid of common schools in said county, to be divided and distributed pro rata according to the seated school tax assessed in the several districts in said county, for the term of five years: *Provided*, That no district shall be entitled to any part of said appropriation, unless the school directors of said district shall first certify to the said county commissioners, that a regular school has been kept in said district six months in said year.

Annual appropriation of county funds to common schools.

JAMES COOPER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. WILLIAMSON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 310.

AN ACT

To validate and confirm the sale of a certain tract of land in M'Kean county, made by the sheriff of Lycoming county.

WHEREAS, Thomas W. Lloyd, esquire, high sheriff of Lycoming county, did, on the third day of May, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, by virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the court of common pleas of said county, on a judgment in said court, in which Thomas Burnside, for the use of Ellis Lewis, executor of Joseph Wallace, deceased, plaintiff, against John Earle, defendant, sell and by deed did convey to Ellis Lewis, esquire, a certain tract of land, situate in Shippen township, M'Kean county, containing twelve hundred acres, more or less, as the property of said defendant, said judgment being a lien on said land before the organization and separation of M'Kean county from Lycoming for judicial purposes:

Preamble.

And whereas, Doubts may arise as to the validity of said sale by the sheriff of Lycoming county; 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 official acts of the said sheriff of Lycoming county, in the sale and conveyance of the said tract of land, shall be as valid and effectual in law as if the like proceedings had been had and done by the sheriff of

Official acts of sheriff of Lycoming county in sale of lands in M'Kean county, confirmed.

M'Kean county, on a testatum writ directed to him from the court of common pleas of Lycoming county.

JAMES COOPER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. WILLIAMSON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fifteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 311.

SUPPLEMENT

To an act, entitled "An Act to authorize suit to be brought on the official bond of William B. Mitchell, late superintendent," passed sixteenth June, Anno Domini eighteen hundred thirty-six.

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 viewers appointed under the act to which this is a supplement, shall inquire what damages the owner or owners of lands, houses or other property may sustain, by reason of the opening of any street or streets, alley or alleys in the plan of the said city district, taking into consideration the advantages that may accrue to any person petitioning for damages; and the said viewers shall further proceed to ascertain, as far as possible, the names of all the owners of lots, or parts of lots, who may receive any benefit or increase of value to their property adjacent to said street or alley, and the said viewers shall apportion the amount thereof fairly and equitably upon each of the said owners, or in case the said owners cannot be ascertained, upon the lot or lots so benefited, in proportion to the value of each of said lots or parts of lots: *Provided,* That in case the said viewers shall in any instance believe that the amount of said damage cannot equitably be assessed upon the adjacent property, and shall so certify, then they may direct that an amount, not exceeding one-fourth of the whole sum, shall be paid from the treasury of Allegheny county; the whole proceedings to be subject to the approval of the court, as in other cases of road damages.

Viewers to assess damages occasioned by the opening of streets and alleys in Pittsburg.

Proviso.

Report of viewers

SECTION 2. That the said viewers, having as aforesaid made such assessment and apportionment of damages, which when returned into said court shall be approved by said court, and shall be entered and recorded at large upon the docket of said court, which thereupon shall bind and conclude all parties owning or claiming to own the property affected by this act, or the proceedings under it; and the sums therein specified to be payable, shall be and remain a lien upon each lot or parts of lots to the extent of the assessment and charge thereon, until duly satisfied and paid by said owner or owners.