

No. 60.

AN ACT

To change the time of holding the courts in the counties of Somerset and Bedford.

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 twentieth day of February, eighteen hundred and fifty, the several courts for the county of Somerset, shall commence and be held on the fourth Monday in April, the fourth Monday in August, the second Monday in November and the first Monday in February, to continue one week, if necessary; in the county of Bedford, on the Mondays next succeeding the days hereinbefore fixed for the commencement of the courts in the county of Somerset, to continue for two weeks if necessary; and the writs of venire, and all other writs, rules, process or precepts whatsoever, which have already or may hereafter be issued in the counties aforesaid, shall be returnable agreeably to the times appointed by this act for the holding of said courts.

Time of holding courts in the counties of Somerset and Bedford.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twelfth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 61.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Philadelphia steam-tug and navigation company.

WHEREAS, It is manifest that the commerce of the city of Philadelphia, as well as the interests of the State, would be greatly benefitted by increased facilities for the ingress and egress by the aid of steam power, of the vessels arriving and departing, and generally in increasing the despatch to all or any other vessel or craft, trading to or from Philadelphia:

And whereas, The want of powerful and efficient steam-tugs to afford assistance to vessels stranded on the neighboring coast, has recently caused large losses of vessels and property:

Preamble.

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And whereas, For the proper construction of such steam vessels, larger amounts of money are requisite than individual citizens are able or willing to invest; 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 Henry Cope, George W. Aspinwall, Arthur G. Coffin, Richard S. Smith and William Martin, and their associates, are hereby incorporated into a body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name of "The Philadelphia steam-tug and navigation company," and as such shall have full power and authority to procure, purchase, construct and equip one or more steam-tugs, of such burthen, power, construction and movement, with such other appurtenances and equipment as may be deemed adequate and proper for the objects and purposes of this association; and the same to employ in the towing of ships, vessels and other craft to and from the port of Philadelphia, the Atlantic ocean and the intermediate points on the inland waters, or other points and places on the seaboard of neighboring states; as well also, as aiding, securing and bringing into safety vessels stranded, or otherwise in distress or disabled, with liberty to carry in said steamboat or boats, goods, wares, merchandize and passengers to and from, and between any of the said ports, points and places, and generally to do, transact, execute and perform all matters and things appurtenant or relating to the several objects connected therewith: *Provided,* That nothing contained in this act shall be considered as in any way giving to the said corporation any banking, manufacturing or trading privileges whatsoever, or any other liberties, privileges or franchises, but such as may be necessary or incident to the said steam tow-boat company: *And provided further,* That said company shall not have power to carry passengers or freight in their steam vessels to and from the port of Philadelphia, and any point or place on the Delaware river or bay, or any of its tributaries, excepting in cases which may be necessary to do so for the personal security of passengers, and the protection of freight in danger of sustaining loss or damage by stranding.

SECTION 2. The capital stock of said company shall be one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of one hundred dollars each; and the persons named in the first section of this act, shall, after ten days' public notice in one or more newspapers published in the city of Philadelphia, receive such subscriptions as may be made to the said capital stock.

SECTION 3. That the letters patent declaring said corporators to be a body politic in law, shall issue whenever six hundred shares of said stock shall be subscribed, and ten dollars on each share paid in; and that the affairs of the said company shall be conducted by a board of directors, and ten days' notice shall be given for the calling in of any instalments on said capital stock.

SECTION 4. That the stockholders shall meet on the first Monday in March, in every year, at the office of the company, and being so met, shall choose by a majority of votes, each share being entitled to one vote, a president, treasurer and four directors, to manage the affairs of the said company, who shall continue in office for one year, and until like officers shall be elected; they shall have full power and authority to appoint officers and to make all necessary by-laws for the management of the said company's affairs, and generally to do and perform any other corporate act.

Corporators.

Name.

Privileges.

Proviso.

Capital stock.

Letters patent.

Annual meeting
of stockholders.

SECTION 5. The legislature hereby reserves the right to alter, amend or repeal this act, and to resume the franchises herein granted at any Reservation time: *Provided*, That no injustice shall be done to the corporators.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twelfth day of February, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 62.

AN ACT

To provide for the expenses of the commissioners to determine and fix the boundary lines of the states of Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware.

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 accounting officers of the commonwealth are hereby authorized and directed to adjust and settle the account for one-third part of the necessary incidental expenses incurred by the commissioners, in carrying out the provisions of the fourteenth section of the act relative to courts of justice, passed the tenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, such one-third part being the portion of such expenses which the state of Pennsylvania is in equity bound to pay; and the auditor general is hereby directed, upon the settlement and adjustment of said account, to draw his warrant upon the state treasurer, for the amount found due thereby, in favor of the party or parties entitled to receive the same.

Pay of commissioners to adjust boundary lines between Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twelfth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.