

No. 149.

AN ACT

Relative to bridges.

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river and tributa-
ries.

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* it shall not hereafter be lawful to erect any free bridge over the Juniata river or its tributaries, within the distance of one mile from any toll bridge constructed by any company incorporated by this commonwealth: *Provided, That* in case the county commissioners of any county in which such toll bridge may be situated, shall be desirous to purchase the same for the purpose of making it a free bridge, they may offer the owners of said bridge such a sum for the same as three competent disinterested persons (to be chosen, one by each of the parties, and the third by the two persons thus chosen,) may, after a careful view thereof determine it to be worth; and should said company not accept the said offer, (which may be made in writing to the president or secretary of said company,) within fifteen days after it shall be made as aforesaid, then and in that event, it shall be lawful for said commissioners, or any association of individuals, to erect a free bridge or bridges wherever they may see proper, over the said river or its tributaries.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 150.

AN ACT

Authorizing the citizens of Ontelaunee township, in Berks county, to vote for or against the continuance of said township; and to authorize the citizens of Butler township, Adams county, to fix the place for holding their elections.

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 qualified voters of Ontelaunee township, in the county of Berks, Ontelaunee township, Berks shall, on Saturday the thirteenth day of April, A. D., one thousand township, Berks eight hundred and fifty, between the hours of nine o'clock in the morn- county, relative ing and six o'clock in the evening, determine by ballot whether the new to its continuance township of Ontelaunee shall be and remain a township or not; said as a township. election to be held at the house of Reuben Addams, in the said town- ship, and shall be conducted by the officers appointed by law to hold the spring elections in said township, who are hereby required to give six days' notice to the citizens of said township, of the time and place of holding said election, and the object for which it is to be held, by at least fifteen written or printed advertisements, to be set up in the most public places of said township.

SECTION 2. Each person entitled to vote as aforesaid, shall vote a ticket with the words written or printed on the outside "New town- Mode of voting. ship," and on the inside "For Ontelaunee township," or "Against Ontelaunee township."

SECTION 3. The officers of the election shall make return of the votes polled for and against the new township of Ontelaunee, to the then next court of quarter sessions of said county, which return shall be filed among the papers of said court; and if a majority of the votes polled shall be in favor of the new township of Ontelaunee, then the Officers of elec- tion. said new township shall remain as at present laid off; but if the ma- jority of the votes polled as aforesaid, shall be against the new township Duties. of Ontelaunee, then the said new township of Ontelaunee shall cease to exist, and the old township of Maidenecreek shall be and remain the same, and with the like boundaries as if the said new township of Ontelaunee had never been created.

SECTION 4. That the qualified electors of the township of Butler, in the county of Adams, shall hold their next spring election on the third Fri- Butler township, Adams county, day in March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, for the election of place of holding elections in. judge, inspectors, and township officers, at the public house of William Eichholtz, in the village of Middletown, in said township, and Henry Slaybaugh is hereby appointed judge, and William Toot and William Rex inspectors, to hold said election; and the qualified electors of said township shall at the same time decide by ballot at said election, Officers. where the township and general elections in said township shall there- after be held; and for this purpose each qualified elector may deposit a written or printed ballot, which shall contain the name of the house or place at which he shall desire such elections to be held; and at the close of said election, the said last mentioned votes shall be counted and return thereof made by the officers of said election, in like manner as returns of the election for judges and inspectors of elections are re- turned; and the township and general elections in said township shall thereafter be held at the place in favor of which the highest number of votes shall be cast at said election; and the same is hereby declared and enacted to be the place for holding said elections for state, county and township officers, in like manner, and as fully, to all intents and purposes, as if the same were specially named and designated in this act; and notice of said election shall be given in the manner prescribed by law in other cases, by the constable of the township of Menallen, in said county.

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

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.
WM. F. JOHNSTON.