

SECTION 16. That the sixth section of an act passed April twenty-second, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to prevent waste in certain cases within this commonwealth,' passed the twenty-ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two, to land and building associations," et cetera, shall be so construed as to authorize the court of common pleas to grant charters to any of said associations which existed prior to the passage of this act, although they may have had a greater number of shares subscribed than is authorized by the said sixth section.

Extending powers of court of common pleas, to grant charters in certain cases.

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

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The third day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 395.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Tioga and Jackson plank road company; and relative to obstructions in certain rivers, creeks and other tributaries in the counties of Tioga, Potter and Lycoming.

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 A. C. Bush, Levi Bigelow, C. H. Place, Seth Doggett, Thomas Mitchell, Joseph Aikin, Elisha T. Bentley, Richard Mitchell, Solomon J. Inscho, John W. Stowell, Stephen L. Parmenter, James Miller, Samuel Miller, junior, or any five of them, be and the same are hereby appointed commissioners to open books, receive subscriptions, and organize a company, by the name, style and title of "The Tioga and Jackson Style plank road company," to locate and construct a plank road from Tioga to the state line near Shepherd's Corner, on the bed of the present public road or otherwise, as the company may direct, subject to all the provisions and restrictions of an act regulating turnpike and plank road companies, approved the twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, and the supplement thereto, as far as the same are not inconsistent with this and the following sections.

Commissioners.

Subject to provisions of certain act.

SECTION 2. That the capital stock of said company shall consist of one thousand shares of twenty-five dollars per share: *Provided,* That said company may from time to time, at a meeting called for that purpose, increase their capital stock to such amount as in their opinion may be required to complete the same, according to the true intent and meaning of this act.

Capital stock.

Commencement
and completion
of road.

Penalty for de-
positing obstruc-
tions in the
Tioga or Cawen-
esque rivers, or
Crooked or Pine
creeks, &c.

SECTION 3. That said road shall be commenced within three years and completed within four years thereafter, or this act shall be null and void, except so far as it may be necessary for the purpose of closing up the affairs of said company, and paying the debt of the same.

SECTION 4. That from and after the passage of this act, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to deposit any slab or slabs, stump or stumps, or any other obstructions in the Tioga or Cawenesque rivers, or Crooked creek, or Pine creek, or their tributaries, or in the race of any mill or mills, on said streams, in the counties of Tioga, Potter or Lycoming, which has been or may hereafter be declared by law a public highway; and any person or persons offending against the provisions of this act, shall on conviction thereof before any justice of the peace of the county where said offence shall have been committed, be fined in a sum not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars, at the discretion of said justice, one-half of said fine to go to the person prosecuting the same, and the other half to be paid to the treasurer of the township in which the offence shall have been committed, to be appropriated by the road commissioners or supervisors thereof, in removing obstructions from said streams; *Provided*, That this act shall not be so construed as to prohibit any person or persons from running or floating logs or timber in said streams, to the mills, for the purpose of manufacturing, or from rafting and running timber, spars or lumber in said streams.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The third day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

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No. 396.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Saint Peter's church of Stouchburg, in the county of Berks, and state of Pennsylvania.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Jonathan Klopp, Benjamin Eckert, Joel Souser and others, have purchased a lot of ground in Stouchburg, Berks county, and erected thereon an edifice, the *upon* story of which is to be used as a place of religious meetings by members of the German Reformed and Lutheran congregations, and the lower story for the accommodation of the Sunday school in said place; and also to be used for lectures, school exhibitions and school concerts, and have desired to be incorporated under the name, style and title of "Saint Peter's church of Stouchburg;" therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly*