

subject to all fines, penalties and forfeitures to which the justices and Penalties.
sheriffs in other counties by the said act are subject or liable.

SECTION 16. The commissioners of said county are hereby author- Pay of commis-
ized and empowered to pay to the persons appointed commissioners by sioners.
the first section of this act, the expenses incurred by them in the per-
formance of their duty; and also, to pay the said directors a reasonable
compensation for their services during the time they are employed in
erecting any building or buildings aforesaid: *Provided*, The same shall Proviso.
not, including the annual sum allowed them by this act, exceed fifty
dollars for any one year.

SECTION 17. So much of the laws of this commonwealth relating to
the poor, as are by this act altered and supplied, be and the same are Repeal of poor
hereby repealed, so far as they affect the county of Tioga. laws.

SECTION 18. That the sheriff of the said county shall in due time Sheriff to notify
notify the said commissioners of their appointment, and when and where commissioners of
they shall meet for entering upon the duties assigned them by this act, their appoint-
which place of meeting shall be as near the centre of the county as pos- ment, &c.
sible.

SECTION 19. For the purpose of ascertaining the sense of the citizens
of Tioga county, as to the expediency of erecting a poor house in said Vote of the peo-
county, it shall be the duty of each of the inspectors of the several town- ple as to the ex-
ships and boroughs at the next general election to receive tickets, either pediency of erect-
written or printed, from the qualified voters thereof, labelled upon the out- ing poor house.
side "poor house," and in the inside "for a poor house," or "against How tickets to be
a poor house;" and if it shall appear, upon casting up the votes of the made.
different districts, at the court house, on the same day that other re-
turns are made out, that a majority of those who voted are for a poor
house, then the foregoing act to take effect, but if a majority of said
votes are against a poor house, the foregoing act to be null and void.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fourteenth day of May, A. D., one thousand eight
hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 435.

AN ACT

To annul the marriage contract between Joseph C. Smith and Sobrina his wife;
to authorize the sale of the Erie and Waterford turnpike road; and relative to
the claim of Peter Eakman.

WHEREAS, Sobrina Smith, wife of Joseph C. Smith, was joined in
marriage with the said Joseph C. Smith, on the twenty-sixth day of Preamble.
March, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, and lived

and cohabited with him in the county of Erie, until the month of February, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, when they removed to the county of Chautaque, in the state of New York, and resided there until the month of February, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and forty-one, at which time the said Joseph C. Smith and his said wife separated and still continue separated:

And whereas, The said Joseph C. Smith has since the said separation in the state of New York, wholly refused any support to his said wife and family; therefore,

Divorce.

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 marriage contract entered into between Joseph C. Smith and Sobrina, his wife, both of Fairview township, in the county of Erie, he and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from said contract, and from the duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully, effectually and absolutely as if they never had been joined in marriage.

Erie and Waterford turnpike road company authorized to reduce par value of stock.

SECTION 2. That the president and managers of the Erie and Waterford turnpike road company, incorporated by the act to which this is a supplement, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to reduce the par value of the stock of said company from fifty dollars to twenty five dollars; and the said company are further authorized and empowered to create new stock, divided into shares of twenty five dollars each, to an amount sufficient to put said road in repair, to re-build and re-construct the same as authorized and required, and to discharge the indebtedness of the company, and the same to sell and deliver, to be of the same value and confer the same rights as original stock.

Authorized to transfer to Erie and Waterford plank road company, their road, &c.

SECTION 3. That the said company are hereby authorized and empowered to sell, transfer or deliver to the Erie and Waterford plank road company, the turnpike road belonging to said company, with all its rights, privileges, franchises and appurtenances, and to take and receive in full payment of the same, stock in the said Erie and Waterford plank road company, for the use of the holders of the stock in said turnpike company, hereby authorizing and empowering the said company to fix the price of such sale and transfer, and to do all things necessary and proper to carry the same into effect.

Said plank road company authorized to purchase said turnpike, &c.

SECTION 4. That it shall be lawful for the president and managers of the Erie and Waterford plank road company, to purchase the Erie and Waterford turnpike company, with all its franchises as provided in the preceding section, and to pay for the same in the stock of the said plank road company; and in case such purchase shall be made, the president and managers of the Erie and Waterford plank road company are hereby authorized to adopt said turnpike, or any part of it as their road, and to plank the same, having first so graded it, that it shall in no place rise or fall more than will form an angle of four degrees with a horizontal line.

Canal commissioners to examine claim of Peter Eakman.

SECTION 5. That the canal commissioners are hereby authorized and directed to examine the claim of Peter Eakman, of Armstrong county, and ascertain the amount of damages he has sustained, if any, by the erection of the aqueduct over the Allegheny river near Freeport, and make report of the same to the next legislature.

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

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

We do hereby certify that the bill, entitled "An Act to annul the marriage contract between Joseph C. Smith and Sobrina his wife; to authorize the sale of the Erie and Waterford turnpike road; and relative to the claim of Peter Eakman," was presented to the governor on the second day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and was not returned within ten days (Sundays excepted) after it had been presented to him; wherefore it has, agreeably to the constitution of this commonwealth, become a law in like manner as if he had signed it.

WM. JACK,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

SAML. W. PEARSON,
Clerk of the Senate.

HARRISBURG, May 14, 1850.

No. 436.

A N A C T

To authorize the sale of the Allegheny bridge at Warren; relative to the Mill Creek and Mine Hill navigation and railroad company; and to divorce Aquilla Anderson from the bonds of matrimony.

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 be lawful for the Warren bridge company to sell their bridge across the Allegheny river at Warren, in Warren county, upon such terms as may be deemed advisable by the directors of said company, and a deed conveying the same to the purchaser or purchasers, signed by a majority of the directors, shall vest in the said purchaser or purchasers all the interest, rights and privileges of said company, to and concerning said bridge, which said company now possess: *Provided,* That said sale and transfer shall not invest the purchaser or purchasers with any corporate privileges: *And provided further,* That no such sale shall be legal until the stockholders, or a majority of them convened at a meeting called for that purpose, shall authorize said directors to make the same.

SECTION 2. That the Mill Creek and Mine Hill navigation and railroad company be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to extend and continue their railroad from any point on the main line, or New Boston extension of the same, to the town of Girardville, in Butler township, Schuylkill county, by the most eligible route determined upon by the engineers of said company.

SECTION 3. That for the purpose of enabling the said company to extend their railroad as aforesaid, the capital of the Mill Creek and Mine Hill navigation and railroad company may be increased by an issue of the stock of said company, the whole amount of said increase not to exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars, at