

No. 175.

AN ACT

Relating to the erection of a new Jail in the county of Fayette.

Look-up house
authorized.

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 until the completion of the new prison in Fayette county, which is about being built by the commissioners of said county, agreeably to the recommendation of two successive grand juries and the court, the said commissioners are hereby authorized to provide some suitable place or building in the borough of Uniontown, or its vicinity, to be used as a temporary jail or lock-up house, or that the said commissioners shall have the right and power to contract with the proper authorities of the county of Allegheny, or some other adjoining county, for the safe keeping and supporting in the common jail or prison of said county, of all such persons as are now confined in the jail of Fayette county, or that may be hereafter sentenced or committed to prison, until the completion of the aforesaid building, and it shall be lawful for any court, judge, justice of the peace or committing magistrate in all cases wherein according to existing laws, he or they might lawfully commit or sentence to be confined, any person in the common jail of the county of Fayette, to commit and order to be confined such person or persons in the said temporary prison or jail of the said county of Allegheny or adjoining county, as said commissioners may determine, and the keeper of said temporary jail or the keeper of the common jail of said county of Allegheny, or keeper of the common jail adjoining Fayette, is hereby authorized and directed to receive and detain all such persons in said temporary jail or jails of said county of Allegheny or adjoining county, until he or she or they shall be delivered therefrom to the sheriff of Fayette county for trial, or in due course of law as in other cases, and upon the completion of said prison, to transfer all persons who shall then be in confinement in said temporary jail or jails of the said county of Allegheny or adjoining county, placed there by the authorities of Fayette county, into said prison, and then and there detain until the expiration of the terms for and during which they shall have been respectively sentenced or committed: *Provided*, That the costs and expenses of detaining and keeping the prisoners of the county of Fayette in the jail of Allegheny county, or such adjoining county as the prisoners may be committed or sentenced to under the provisions of this act, shall be defrayed by the said county of Fayette: *And provided further*, That the sheriff of the county of Allegheny, or of such county as such prisoners may be committed or sentence to under this act, shall be civilly and criminally liable for their safe keeping, in the same manner that they now are liable for prisoners committed under the general laws.

Proviso.

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Fees of sheriff.

SECTION 2. That the sheriff of Fayette county shall be entitled to receive the sum of two dollars per day for every day he is engaged in conveying prisoners to and from the jail in

Allegheny county or of such adjoining county, together with all necessary expenses and charges.

SECTION 3. That the commissioners of the county of Fayette are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow any sum or sums of money, not exceeding in the whole ten thousand dollars, which they may deem necessary, for the purpose of erecting a new jail in said county of Fayette, at any rate of interest not exceeding six per centum, in the name and upon the faith, credit and responsibility of said county, and to issue certificates of such loan to the holders thereof in sums not less than one hundred dollars, and to make such provision in the accounts and disbursements of said county from time to time, as may be necessary to pay the interest upon such loan, and to redeem the principal at such times and in such manner as may be conformable to the terms upon which the same may be taken.

Authority to borrow money.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-third day of March, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

No. 176.

AN ACT

Authorizing the Canal Commissioners to examine the claim of John Cresswell and Son, for damages sustained by the sinking of the canal boat Wilderness, in the Pennsylvania Canal.

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 Canal Commissioners be and they are hereby authorized and required to examine the claim of John Cresswell and Son, of Huntingdon county, for damages sustained by them in consequence of the sinking of the canal boat Wilderness, in the Pennsylvania canal, on the sixth day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, and if they shall ascertain that the accident was caused by the navigation not being in a proper condition, and that due prudence was observed by those having charge of the boat, if the same was not overloaded, they shall report the amount of the damages to the Legislature: *Provided,* That no allowance shall be made, except for the actual injury done to the boat and cargo, which shall be established by affidavit.

E. B. CHASE,

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