

No. 256.

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act entitled "An act to incorporate the First Reformed Congregation of the borough of York and its vicinity," passed the fourteenth day of March, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty nine.

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 trustees of the First Reformed congregation of the borough of York and its vicinity, may purchase and hold in fee simple thirty acres of land, in addition to the quantity they are now authorized to hold, to be laid out and used as a cemetery, subject to the same rules, regulations, by-laws and privileges as their present cemetery: Provided, That the whole quantity of land which the said trustees may hold for such purpose, shall not exceed fifty acres.*

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fourth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

No. 257.

AN ACT

To authorize the Canal Commissioners to Assess Damages arising from the destruction of Property on the Public Works.

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 empowered to examine into all cases of damages arising, or that may have arisen heretofore from injury done, or that may hereafter be done to boats, cars and merchandise or other property, upon any of the canals or railroads of the Commonwealth; and it shall be their duty in all cases, when they shall ascertain that such damage was occasioned by any defect in the condition of the proper canal or railroad, or the machinery thereof, or by the misconduct or culpable negligence of any officer or agent of the State, and that the persons owning, or having charge for the owner of such boats or cars, have exercised due vigilance and*

care, they shall assess the amount of the actual loss, and report the same, together with a full statement of the facts, to the Legislature: *Provided*, That in no case shall any allowance be made, except for the actual injury which may have been done to the boat or car, and the merchandise contained therein; and no item of damage shall be allowed, unless the amount of the loss, deducting the value of the damaged boat, car or merchandise, shall be clearly established by affidavit; and in every case where allowance shall be made in consequence of the misconduct or negligence of a State agent or officer, they shall discharge said agent or officer, and report to the Legislature, stating the fact of his discharge, and the amount of the accrued wages or salary which they have retained under the provisions of the act of the eleventh of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The sixth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

WM. BIGLER.

No. 258.

A N A C T

Relative to the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad Company.

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 Pittsburgh and Connellsville railroad company be and the same is hereby authorized to issue its bonds heretofore authorized, bearing any rate of interest not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, convertible at the will of the holder into the stock of the company at par, or on such terms as may be agreed upon, and any sale of said bonds for a less amount than their par value, shall not be construed to be a violation of the usury laws of this Commonwealth. Bonds to be issued.

SECTION 2. That the Uniontown and Waynesburg railroad company, chartered by act of April eighteenth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, be and hereby is authorized to transfer all its rights, powers and privileges on such terms as may be agreed upon, to the Pittsburgh and Connellsville railroad company, which is hereby authorized to construct a branch road on the contemplated route of said Uniontown and Waynesburg railroad. Transfer of rights.

SECTION 3. That the provisions of an act entitled "An act authorizing the city of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, and the boroughs of West Newton and Connellsville, to subscribe to the Extension.