

No. 326.

AN ACT

For the relief of Rosanna M'Gary and Barbara Stuchell, widows of old soldiers, and for the relief of James Lydick, a soldier of the Indian war.

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 State Treasurer be and he is authorized and directed to pay to Rosanna M'Gary, now of Wayne county, State of Ohio, a gratuity of forty dollars, and an annuity of forty dollars annually thereafter during the term of her natural life, payable half yearly, commencing on the first day of July, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

SECTION 2. That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and required to pay to Barbara Stuchell, of Indiana county, the widow of a soldier of the Indian war, an annuity of forty dollars during life, to be paid half yearly, commencing on the first day of January, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

SECTION 3. That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and required to pay to James Lydick, of Indiana county, a soldier of the Indian war, an annuity of forty dollars during life, to be paid half yearly, commencing on the first day of January, Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

M. M'CASLIN,

Speaker of the Senate.

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

WM. BIGLER.

No. 327.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania.

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* there be and is hereby erected, and is established at the place which shall be designated by the authority, and as hereinafter

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provided, an institution for the education of youth in the various branches of science, learning and practical agriculture, as they are connected with each other, by the name, style and title of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania."

SECTION 2. That the said institution shall be under the manage- Management.
ment and government of a board of trustees, thirteen of whom shall be a quorum, competent to perform the duties hereinafter authorized and required.

SECTION 3. That the president and vice presidents of the Pennsylvania State agricultural society, and the presidents of the several county agricultural societies which shall, at any time, have been organized more than one year, shall be ex-officio members of, and constitute the board of trustees; which said trustees, and their successors in office, are hereby erected and declared to be a body politic and corporate in law, with perpetual succession, by the name, style and title of the "Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania;" by which name and title the said trustees, and their successors, shall be able and capable in law to take, by gift, grant, sale or conveyance, by bequest, devise or otherwise, any estate in any lands, tenements and hereditaments, goods, chattels or effects, and at pleasure to alien or otherwise dispose of the same to, and for the uses and purposes of the said institution: *Provided however,* That the annual income of the said estates so held, shall at no time exceed twenty-five thousand dollars; and the said corporation shall, by the same name, have power to sue and be sued, and generally to do and transact all and every business touching or concerning the premises, or which shall be necessarily incidental thereto, and to hold, enjoy, and exercise all such powers, authorities and jurisdiction, as are customary in the colleges within this Commonwealth. Proviso.

SECTION 4. That the same trustees shall cause to be made a Seal.
seal, with such devices as they may think proper, and by and with which all the deeds, diplomas, certificates and acts of the institution shall be authenticated, and they may at their pleasure alter the same.

SECTION 5. That on the second Thursday of June, after the Meeting.
passage of this act, the board of trustees who are hereby appointed, shall meet at Harrisburg, and proceed to the organization of the institution, and selection of the most eligible site within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for its location, where they shall purchase or obtain by gift, grant or otherwise, a tract of land containing at least two hundred acres, upon which they shall procure such improvements and alterations to be made, as will make it an institution properly adapted to the instruction of youth in the art of farming, according to the meaning and design of this act; they shall select and choose a principal for the said institution—who, with such scientific attainments and capacity to teach, as the board shall deem necessary—shall be a good practical farmer: he, with such other persons as shall from time to time be employed as teachers, shall compose the faculty, under whose control the immediate management of the institution, and the instruction of all the youth committed to its care, shall be subject however to the revision, and all orders of the board of trustees; there shall be a quarterly meeting of the board of trustees at the institution, and as much oftener as shall be necessary, and they shall determine; the board shall have power to pass all such by-laws,

ordinances and rules, as the good government of the institution shall require, and therein to prescribe what shall be taught to, and what labor performed by the pupils; and generally to do and perform all such administrative acts as are usually performed by and within the appropriate duty of a board of trustees, and shall, by a secretary of their appointment, keep a minute of the proceedings and action of the board.

Duties of Trustees.

SECTION 6. That it shall be the duty of the board of trustees as soon, and as often as the exigencies of the institution shall require, in addition to the principal, to employ such other professors, teachers or tutors, as shall be qualified to impart to pupils, under their charge, a knowledge of the English language, grammar, geography, history, mathematics, chemistry, and such other branches of the natural and exact sciences, as will conduce to the proper education of a farmer; the pupils shall themselves, at such proper times and seasons, as shall be prescribed by the board of trustees, perform all the labor necessary in the cultivation of the farm; and shall thus be instructed, and taught all things necessary to be known by a farmer, it being the design and intention of this law, to establish an institution in which youth may be so educated, as to fit them for the occupation of a farmer.

Treasurer.

SECTION 7. That the board of trustees shall annually elect a treasurer, who shall receive and disburse the funds of the institution, and perform such other duties as shall be required of him; and from whom they shall take such security, for the faithful performance of his duty, as necessity shall require; and it shall be the duty of the said board of trustees annually, on or before the first of December, to make out a full and detailed account of the operations of the institution for the preceding year, and an account of all its receipts and disbursements, and report the same to the Pennsylvania State agricultural society, who shall embody said report in the annual report, which, by existing laws, the said society is bound to make and transmit to the Legislature on or before the first Monday of January of each and every year.

Appropriation of funds.

SECTION 8. That it shall be lawful for the Pennsylvania State agricultural society to appropriate, out of their funds, to the objects of this act, the sum of ten thousand dollars, whenever the same shall be required, and to make such further appropriation annually, out of their funds, as will aid in the prosecution of this object; and it shall be the duty and privilege of the said society, at such times as they shall deem expedient, by their committees, officers or otherwise, to visit the said institution, and examine into the details of its management.

E. B. CHASE,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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