

CHAPTER MCMXVI.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PAUL FRAZER TO ERECT A DAM ACROSS SHEARMAN'S CREEK.

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) 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 Paul Frazer, his heirs and assigns, shall have the liberty to erect and maintain a dam across Shearman's creek, opposite to his own land, in the county of Cumberland, of sufficient height to bring water to his mills, and to maintain and keep the same in good repair forever. Provided always, That the rights and properties of all and every person and persons whatsoever shall be and remain inviolate and shall not be affected by this act.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Paul Frazer, his heirs and assigns, shall forever maintain and keep in good order on the body of said dam, in a convenient part of the same for rafts to pass through, a complete slope of twenty-five feet in breadth, extending one rod down stream, for every foot the dam shall be raised in height, and shall build the dam one foot higher, at each side, to convey the water into the slope, and shall also construct the slope one foot and half higher, at each side thereof, to keep the water thereon, until it meets the level of the bottom of the creek, so as to admit rafts to pass with safety, and, likewise, to keep in good order, at all times, a complete lock, twelve feet wide, and sixty-five feet long, through which boats and canoes may at all times safely and conveniently pass.

[Section III.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That on the complaint of any person or persons to the judges of the court of quarter sessions of the said county, it shall and may be lawful for the said judges to appoint three commissioners to view the said dam and compare it with the limitations and provisions herein set forth and

enacted, and report to them at their next sessions in the said county the state thereof, which report, on oath or affirmation, if it contain an offense committed against this act, shall be sufficient ground for the court to direct a bill of indictment to be sent to the grand jury, and upon prosecution to conviction of an offense against this act, or the act declaring a part of Shearman's creek a public highway, the party or parties so convicted shall be liable to pay a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars, at the discretion of the court and the court shall adjudge so much of the said dam to be abated or altered as will bring the same within the limitations and provisions in this act.

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CHAPTER MCMXVII.

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF ROBERT SAMPLE.

Whereas by an act entitled, "A supplement to an act for directing the mode of distributing the donation lands promised to the troops of this commonwealth"¹ it is required that any person or persons, whose lands have fallen in the state of New York, shall, previous to their receiving lands within this state, deliver up their patents for that which fell in the state of New York:

And whereas, it is represented to the legislature, that Robert Sample, a captain in the late continental army in the line of this state, received a patent for a tract of five hundred acres of donation land which fell in the state of New York, which patent has been mislaid or lost, by reason whereof he is deprived of the bounty of the state:

And whereas, it is just and reasonable that relief should be granted in the premises:

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