

No. 295

AN ACT

Providing for the acquisition of the Daniel Boone Homestead by the Department of Property and Supplies, and for its management and development by the Pennsylvania Historical Commission; and making an appropriation.

WHEREAS, There is located in Exeter Township, Berks County, the homestead of Daniel Boone which should be preserved as an historical place and park for the benefit of the people of this Commonwealth; therefore,

Preamble.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Department of Property and Supplies is hereby authorized to purchase, in the name of the Commonwealth, the tract of land which was the Daniel Boone Homestead, and which is located and described as follows:

Daniel Boone Homestead.

“All that certain message,* tenement, plantation and tract of land, situate in Exeter Township, County of Berks, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit:—

Description.

Beginning at a corner of the late Daniel Guldin's land and running thence North forty-four and one-quarter degrees, West one hundred and sixty perches and two-tenths by lands of Daniel Levergood, Samuel Guldin, James Boone and late David Geiger, now of Daniel Gross; thence by lands of the late Charles Guldin, now Jacob F. Guldin and land of Jacob Ludwig, South twenty degrees, West two hundred and thirty perches; thence by land of late Jacob DeTurk, now Benj. DeTurk, the following courses and distances, viz.:—

South seventy-nine degrees, East six perches, North eighty-four and one-quarter degrees, East twenty-six perches, North eighty-nine and one-quarter degrees, East eighteen perches and eight-tenths, South seventy-two and one-half degrees, East twenty-one perches, North eighty-five degrees, East forty-eight perches and one-tenth, North forty-one and one-half degrees, East thirty-four perches and three-tenths, North seventy degrees, East thirteen perches; thence by land of Jacob Pile, North thirty-nine and one-half degrees, West twenty-six perches and North thirty-six and one-half degrees, East eighty-four perches to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred fifty acres, be the same more or less.

Together with certain water right on land of late Charles Guldin as described in a certain deed, bearing date of June 30, 1897, by Chas. M. Richardson and Lizzie, his wife, did grant and convey unto Howard S. Ahrens their undivided one-half moiety, said Indenture being recorded in Deed Book, Vol. 253, Page 389, Berks County Records.” (Description recorded in Deed Book, Vol. 641, as the property of Arthur B. Vossler.) Less, however, the following tract which has heretofore been severed from said tract by conveyance:

* “message” in the original.

“All that certain triangular piece of ground situate on the Northwestern side of the public road leading from Amityville to Stonersville in the Township of Exeter, Berks County, Pennsylvania, bounded on the North and West by the Property of Chas. Young, Walter Kline, and Chas. Schur, on the South and East by property of Arthur B. Vossler and Mabel E. Vossler, his wife, and on the East by said public road, being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Northwestern side of the public road leading from Amityville to Stonersville; thence along the same in a Northwestern direction by a line forty-four degrees, fifteen feet, a distance of four hundred feet to a point, a corner of property of Chas. Young; then by an angle of sixty-four degrees, fifteen feet by the following courses, South twenty degrees, West 1209.06 feet to a point in line of property of Chas. Schur; thence by an angle of 19 degrees 22 feet, North 39 degrees 22 feet, East a distance of 1086.78 feet to a point, the place of beginning.” (Description recorded in Deed Book, Vol. 693, Page 263, as property of Andrew Harcar.)

The title to said property before acquisition shall be approved by the Department of Justice.

To be transferred
to Pennsylvania
Historical
Commission.

Section 2. Upon the acquisition of the property aforesaid, the same shall be transferred to the Pennsylvania Historical Commission which shall have full control, management and supervision thereof, and shall have power to adopt and carry into effect plans for the restoration, improvement and maintenance of the park and to make and enforce rules and regulations for the preservation of the property and the visitation thereof by the public.

\$7,000.00
appropriated.

Section 3. The sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Property and Supplies for the payment of the cost of acquiring said tract of land and for all expenses in connection therewith, including the expense of investigating the title.

APPROVED—The 2d day of June, A. D. 1937.

GEORGE H. EARLE