

1773. the parties, and summoned by the said Sheriff, to enquire what damages the said John Bull, his heirs or assigns, shall justly and reasonably suffer, by reason of the prostrating and removal of the said mill-dam, and to make return of the said inquest, in writing, under his hand and seal, and the hands and seals of the said inquest; and if the said Commissioners shall pay, or tender the sum of money awarded by the said inquest, as a satisfaction for the damages aforesaid, then, and not otherwise, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners to prostrate, and totally to remove the said mill-dam, and open, and for ever thereafter to keep open, the said eastern channel of the said river, free and clear from all manner of impediments and obstructions to the navigation thereof.

Passed 26th February, 1773.—Recorded A. vol. VI. page 3.

CHAPTER DCLXXXII.

An ACT for vacating a part of a road in the township of the North-ern-Liberties, and for confirming a new road, laid out and made instead thereof.

WHEREAS, by an order of the Governor and Council, on the eleventh day of January, one thousand seven hundred and twelve, a road was laid out, beginning at the north side of Vine-street, and the end of the Front-street of the city of Philadelphia, on Delaware side, and thence proceeding by the several courses and distances following, viz. north twenty-one degrees easterly, fifty-two perches, to Nathaniel Pool's house; north twenty-two degrees easterly, fifty-six perches to Daniel Pegg's porch; north twenty-one degrees easterly, sixty-one perches; north one degree west, sixty-six perches; north two degrees west, sixteen perches, over the marsh and mill creek; north twenty-two degrees west, thirty perches; and from thence by several other courses and distances, therein further set forth.

And whereas it hath been since found by the inhabitants and owners of the grounds through which the said road passes, that part of the same is inconvenient, and a more convenient road has been for many years in use, which, if established by law, will be of public advantage: *Be it therefore enacted*, That so much of the said road, so as aforesaid laid out by order of the Governor and Council, as extends from the north side of Vine-street to the end of the fifth course from the said street, shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be, made void; and that instead thereof, the road shall be of the following courses and distances, to wit; beginning at the end of Front-street, on the north side of Vine-street; from thence extending north seventeen degrees east, two hundred and fifteen perches, to a stake set in the middle of the road, two and an half perches northerly of the line of the north wall of Jacob Weaver's house; thence north twenty-seven degrees west, fifty-one perches and six tenths of a perch, to a stake set in the middle of the old road, in the line of the south wall of the house of Thomas Preston; which shall be for ever hereafter a public road and highway, of the width of sixty feet, and maintained and supported as other public roads and highways are by law directed to be maintained and supported.

Passed 26th February, 1773.—Recorded A. vol. V. page 558.

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