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same manner as if this law had not been enacted, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, save only that the inhabitants of so much of lower Bald-Eagle as is included in the said Centre county, shall hold their general elections at the house now occupied by Archibald Stewart, in the said township, and so much of Franklin township, as is included in the said Centre county, shall hold their general elections with the inhabitants of the townships of Potter and Patton, at the house now occupied by William King, in Potter's township. (r)

Passed 13th February, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 90.

(r) By an act passed 7th January, 1801, (chap. 2147.) Commissioners to be appointed to run part of the lines between Huntingdon and Centre, and also, between Lycoming and Centre. Duplicate plots to be made of the surveys, and deposited in the offices of the respective counties. The prison may be built on any other lot than the public square.

By the same act, the first and second election districts are established.

The second district new modelled, and Patton and Warrior-Mark townships, annexed to the first district, by act of 25th February, 1801, (chap. 2188,) place of holding elections therein changed, act of 31st March, 1806, (chap. 2715, § 26.)

Halfmoon and Patton townships erected into a separate district, by act of 19th January, 1802, (chap. 2209.)

The place of holding elections in Bald-Eagle township, (the fourth district) fixed, by act of 17th March, 1802, (chap. 2247,) but place changed by act of 4th April, 1805, (chap. 2599, § 10.)

The sixth election district erected, by act of 8th January, 1805, (ch. 2514.)

Centre township erected into the seventh district by act of 11th April, 1807, (chap. 2856, § 43.)

Beccaria, Bradford, and part of Halfmoon township, in Clearfield county (which elects with Centre) erected into a separate district, by act of 28th March, 1808, (chap. 2872, § 27.) Potter township and Ferguson townships, erected into separate districts, by same act, § 31-2.

Trustees appointed for the county of Centre by act of 6th February, 1804, (chap. 2411,) and act of 4th March, 1807, (chap. 2750.)

An academy established at *Bellefont*, by act of 8th January, 1804, (chap. 2519,) money granted to it, act of 9th January, 1806, (chap. 2618.)

The power and authority of the Commissioners, &c. of Centre county, extended throughout the county districts of Clearfield and M'Kean. The Commissioners and Treasurer to keep distinct accounts of the monies levied and collected in said districts, which are to be applied to special purposes. Recorder of deeds to provide separate books to record deeds for lands in said districts, to be delivered over when recorders shall be appointed in them respectively, and Clearfield county made an election district, act of 14th March, 1805, (chap. 2556.)

By the last enumeration, the county of Centre contained one thousand nine hundred and eighteen taxables, Clearfield, one hundred and sixty-three M'Kean, thirteen, total two thousand and ninety-four, Lycoming, two thousand and forty-six, and by the act of 21st March, 1808, apportioning the representation in pursuance thereof, Centre, Clearfield and M'Kean send one member to the House of Representatives, and Centre, Clearfield, M'Kean, Lycoming, Tioga and Potter, jointly, send one member to the Senate.

By act of 24th February, 1806, (chap. 2634,) Mifflin, Centre, Huntingdon and Bedford counties, compose the fourth judicial district. The Courts in Centre are held on the fourth Mondays of January, April, August and November. The term continues one week.

Centre county is attached to the middle district of the Supreme Court.

CHAPTER MMXCV.

An ACT to declare part of Shaver's creek in the county of Huntingdon, a public highway.

SECT. I. BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assem-

bly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That 1800.
 from and after the passing of this act, Shaver's creek in the county of Huntingdon, from its mouth up to the line of John and James Crawford's land, shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be a public highway, for the passage of boats and rafts along the same, and it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants desirous of improving or tising the navigation of the said creek, to remove all natural and artificial obstructions from the mouth thereof up to the line of John and James Crawford's land aforesaid; provided that in doing the same, they shall not thereby do any damage to private property on the said creek.

Shaver's creek declared a highway,

SECT. II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That nothing in this act contained, shall be deemed, taken or understood, to prevent any person or persons possessing land on the said creek, who before the passing of this act, had authority under the law of this commonwealth, to erect a dam or dams, from erecting the same, as he, she or they may think proper: *Provided,* That such dam or dams be so constructed and kept in repair by the owners thereof, with complete slopes and locks, on convenient parts of such dams, as that the navigation of the said creek for boats and rafts will not be injured thereby, nor the passage of fish prevented.

Proviso as to dams previously authorized,

Passed 19th February, 1800.—Recorded in Law Book No. VII. page 94.

CHAPTER MMXCVI.

A SUPPLEMENT to the several acts relative to establishing town and out lots, and selling the same, within the reserved tracts of land adjoining Erie, Franklin, Warren and Waterford.

[Ante. chap. 1845, pa. 233, and chap. 2059, pa. 381.]

WHEREAS it has heretofore been provided by law, that the respective purchasers of town lots in the towns of Erie, Franklin, Warren and Waterford, should, within two years from and after the day of sale, erect and build one house at least sixteen feet square, and containing at least one brick or stone chimney, on each and every town lot by them respectively purchased; and that without due proof of such improvement the Governor should not grant or issue any patent: And whereas, provision has also been heretofore made, for allowing persons who have purchased any lot or lots in the second and third divisions of the town of Erie, to take a lot or lots in the first division of the said town, at the same price they purchased them at the former sales, and that all those who have paid for or improved any forfeited lot or lots, shall have a pre-emption to the said lot or lots, at the price they sold at former sales; provided he, she or they, did apply within three months after the eleventh of April last, and pay for the same.

But whereas, no provision was made to dispense with the improvement heretofore required by law, to be erected in case of making such change of lots, or complying with the said terms of pre-emption, and it appears expedient that the said improvements should be dispensed with, and further time allowed for securing the said pre-emption: Therefore,