

CHAPTER MMCCXCIII.

AN ACT TO ENLARGE THE MARCH AND DECEMBER TERMS IN THE SUPREME COURT.

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 from and after the passing of this act, the March and December terms in the supreme court of this commonwealth, shall respectively commence on the first Mondays of the said months; and the term of March shall continue three weeks; and the term of December shall continue four weeks; and the first and last day of the said terms, respectively, shall be return days thereof.

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CHAPTER MMCCXCIV.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MARCUS HULINGS TO ERECT A TOLL BRIDGE OVER FRENCH CREEK, OPPOSITE TURKEY STREET, IN THE TOWN OF FRANKLIN.

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 it shall and may be lawful for Marcus Hulings, his heirs and assigns, to erect, build, maintain and support a good and substantial bridge over and across French creek, opposite Turkey street, in the town of Franklin, in Venango county; and the property of said bridge, when built, shall be, and the same is hereby vested in the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs and assigns forever; and the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs and assigns, may demand and receive toll from travellers and others, not exceeding the following rates, viz: For every coach, landau, chariot, phaeton,

or other pleasurable carriage, ten cents for each horse drawing the same; for every loaded wagon or cart, ten cents for each horse drawing the same; and for every empty wagon or cart, eight cents for each horse drawing the same; for every sleigh or sled, six cents for each horse drawing the same; for a single horse and rider, six cents; for every horse, four cents; for every foot passenger, one cent; for every head of horned cattle, two cents; for sheep or swine, at the rate of ten cents for every score; and all carriages which shall be drawn by oxen and partly by horses, two oxen shall be estimated as equal to one horse. Provided always nevertheless, that nothing in this act contained shall extend to authorize the said Marcus Hulings, or any other person, to erect a bridge in the manner in this act before mentioned, on any private property, without the consent of the owners thereof, or to erect the same in such manner as in any way to interfere with, injure, or obstruct the navigation of the said creek, or the passage over the ford across the same near where the said bridge may be erected.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs and assigns, shall not proceed to carry on the said work within one year after the passing of this act, or shall not within three years complete the same, according to the true intent and meaning of this act, or if at any time after the said bridge is completed, it is suffered to be out of repair, so as to be impassable for horses and wagons for the space of twelve months, then and in either of those cases, all and singular the rights, liberties, privileges and franchises hereby granted to the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs and assigns, shall revert to this commonwealth.

Section III. (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That if the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs and assigns, shall neglect to keep the said bridge in good and perfect order and repair, for the space of five days, and information thereof shall be given to any justice of the peace of the county, such justice shall issue his precept, directed to any constable, commanding him to summon three

judicious freeholders to meet at a certain time, in the said precepts to be mentioned, at the said bridge, of which said meeting notice shall be given to the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs or assigns; and the said justice shall at such time and place, by the oaths or affirmations of the said freeholders, enquire whether the said bridge is in good and perfect order and repair as aforesaid; and if the said bridge shall be found by the said inquisition not to be in good order and repair according to the true intent and meaning of this act, he shall certify the same, and send a copy of the inquisition to the said Marcus Hulings, his heirs or assigns, and from thenceforth the said tolls hereby granted shall cease to be demanded, paid, or collected, until the defective part or parts of the said bridge shall be put in good and perfect order and repair as aforesaid.

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CHAPTER MMCCXCV.

AN ACT TO ERECT WEST HANOVER TOWNSHIP, IN THE COUNTY OF DAUPHIN, INTO A SEPARATE ELECTION DISTRICT.

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 from and after the passing of this act, the township of West Hanover, in the county of Dauphin, shall be a separate election district; and the electors thereof shall hold their general elections at the house now occupied by Thomas Smith, near Green's Mill, in said township.

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