

CHAPTER MMCCCXCVII.

AN ACT DECLARING THE SHENANGO OR PYMATUNING CREEK A PUBLIC STREAM OR HIGHWAY.

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 Shenango or Pymatuning creek, a branch of Beaver creek, from the mouth of the same, up to its source be, and the same is hereby declared a public stream or highway, for the passage of rafts, boats or other vessels; and it shall and may be lawful for the inhabitants and others, desirous of using the navigation of the said creek, to remove all the natural obstructions in the said creek; Provided, that any person or persons, owning or possessing land on said creek, shall have liberty to erect any dam or dams across the same, agreeably and subject to all the restrictions and provisions of an act, of the general assembly of this commonwealth, passed the twenty-third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and three,⁽¹⁾ entitled "An act to authorize any person or persons owning lands adjoining navigable streams of water, declared public highways, to erect dams upon such streams for mills and other water-works."

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Note (1). Chapter 2353; Supra this volume, p. 297.

CHAPTER MMCCCXCVIII.

AN ACT TO EMPOWER THE OVERSEERS AND GUARDIANS OF THE POOR OF THE SEVERAL TOWNSHIPS WITHIN THIS COMMONWEALTH TO RECOVER CERTAIN FINES, PENALTIES AND FORFEITURES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Whereas certain fines, penalties and forfeitures are by divers acts of assembly, directed to be paid to justices of the peace for the use of the poor: And whereas the means by law pro-