

by those who have been appointed to conduct the course of the same: And whereas Thomas Jones, of Westmoreland county, and William Backhouse, of Somerset county, have, at their own expense, begun to improve said road by altering the course thereof, about the distance of four miles and three fourths, and thereby shortening the distance and rendering the ascent and descent of the mountains much easier: Therefore,

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 the sum of three hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of completing the road on the west side of Laurel Hill, leading from Somerset to Washington; and the governor is hereby authorized and empowered to draw his warrant on the treasurer of this commonwealth for the aforesaid sum, in favor of the commissioners of Westmoreland county, for the purpose of completing said road; and when so completed they shall submit a particular account of the expenditure of the money to the auditors of said county for their approbation.

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CHAPTER MMDCCXXV.

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE LOWER FERRY AND THE UPPER BRIDGE ON THE RIVER SCHUYLKILL.

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, it shall be the duty of the master, skipper or owner of any ship, boat or other vessel navigating the river Schuylkill, on passing the bar at the mouth of said river, inward bound, to blow a horn; and also when they shall arrive within one quarter of a mile of the ferry; and if outward

bound, the master, skipper or owner of any ship, boat or other vessel, shall blow a horn when they shall arrive within one quarter of a mile of the ferry aforesaid; whereupon the keeper thereof shall attend immediately for the purpose of lowering and sinking the rope, in such manner as to permit such ship, boat or other vessel, to pass without delay and in safety, under the penalty of twenty-five dollars, for every neglect or refusal to perform the duties hereby enjoined, to be recovered as debts of an equal amount are or may be by law recoverable; and if any master, skipper or owner conducting any ship, boat or other vessel, shall neglect or refuse to blow a horn as aforesaid on approaching said ferry, or give personal notice of his intention to pass the same, every such master, skipper or owner neglecting or refusing to comply with the beforementioned requisitions, and thereby do [doing] any injury to the rope, shall forfeit and pay a fine of twenty-five dollars, for every such injury done to the said rope, to be recovered as debts of an equal amount are or may be by law recoverable; and all the fines and forfeitures under this section, shall be applied in the following manner, viz. One moiety to the person suing for the same, and the other moiety thereof to the supervisors of the highways of the townships of Kingsessing and Passyunk, to be applied towards repairing the highways thereof.

Section II. (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from and after the passing of this act, the owners, tenant or occupant of the floating bridge over the river aforesaid, at the place usually called the Upper Ferry, on application to them, or any of them, at the place usually called the Upper Ferry aforesaid, by any owner, master, or skipper of any vessel, shallop, boat or raft, lying in the aforesaid river, near the said Upper Ferry, shall immediately open the said bridge for the passage of said vessel, shallop, boat or raft, under the penalty of paying for every such refusal or neglect thereof, the sum of twenty-five dollars; to be recovered from the person so refusing or neglecting, as debts of equal amount are or may be by law recoverable by

the owner, master or skipper of such vessel, shallop, boat or raft detained thereby: Provided, that nothing herein contained, shall be so construed as to compel the said owner, tenant or occupant, to open the said bridge within one hour after the commencement of flood or ebb tide.

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CHAPTER MMDCCXXVI.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO SUBSCRIBE FOR CERTAIN SHARES IN THE ERIE AND WATERFORD TURNPIKE ROAD. (†)

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 the governor be, and he is hereby authorized and required to subscribe for and in behalf of this commonwealth, for one hundred shares in the Erie and Waterford turnpike road, to be paid on warrants drawn by the governor to the president and managers of the company incorporated for the purpose of making said road, and to be applied by them for that purpose.

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Note (†) For original act of incorporation see Chapter 2429; 17 Statutes at Large, p. 567.

CHAPTER MMDCCXXVII.

AN ACT ERECTING CERTAIN ELECTION DISTRICTS, AND MAKING ALTERATIONS IN OTHER DISTRICTS ALREADY ERECTED.

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 electors residing within the third election district, composed of the townships of Tinicum, Nockamixon,