

LAWS

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,

PASSED AT THE SESSION OF 1856,

IN THE

EIGHTIETH YEAR OF INDEPENDENCE.

WITH AN APPENDIX.



HARRISBURG:

A. BOYD HAMILTON, STATE PRINTER.

1856.

No. 569.

AN ACT

To restrain the Erie Canal Company from fixing exorbitant Rates of Tolls,
and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. *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 not be lawful for the Erie canal company to charge or collect more than six cents per ton for any freight passing over the canal of said company a shorter distance than five miles, nor shall it be lawful for said company to charge or collect for any distance greater than five miles, more than the maximum tolls now fixed and published by the toll sheet of said company, the same to be calculated upon each mile, discriminating only between way freight and through freight, and that the third section of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, in relation to the Erie canal company, be and the same is hereby repealed.

RICHARDSON L. WRIGHT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. M. PIATT,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-third day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

JAMES POLLOCK.

No. 570.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Chesnut Hill Water Company.

SECTION 1. *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* Owen Sheridan, Joseph Middleton, Samuel H. Austin, Charles Heibner, George W. Watson, William Stallman, Mathias Haas, Charles Phipps, William L. Hirst, and John Stallman, be and they are hereby created and constituted a body politic, in fact and in law, by the name, style and title of the Chesnut Hill water company. Corporators.

SECTION 2. That the said corporation shall possess and enjoy all the rights, privileges, authority and immunities conferred on the Jefferson water company, by the act of the assembly, passed April twenty-third, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, Powers and duties

entitled "An Act to incorporate the Jefferson water company," and shall be subject to all the duties and liabilities by said act imposed on the said company, and to the right of the city of Philadelphia to purchase the works and property of said company, upon the same conditions as provided in said act: *Provided*, That said company shall not extend their pipes south-easterly beyond Miller's lane, on the north-east side of the Germantown turnpike, nor beyond Allen's lane, on the south-west-side of said turnpike.

Capital.

SECTION 3. That the capital stock of the said Chesnut Hill water company shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each; and the said corporation may borrow twenty thousand dollars on mortgage of their lands, works, property and franchises, which mortgage shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be a good and valid lien thereon, to all intents and purposes: *Provided*, That no certificate of loan secured by said mortgage, shall be issued for an amount less than one hundred dollars.

Election.

SECTION 4. That the first election of directors by the said corporators, shall be held on the fourth Monday after the passage of this act.

RICHARDSON L. WRIGHT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. M. PIATT,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fourth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

JAMES POLLOCK.

No. 571.

AN ACT

To extend the Charter of the Philadelphia Bank.

SECTION 1. *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 charter of the Philadelphia Bank be and it is hereby extended for a period of seventeen years from and after the expiration thereof, subject in all matters, except that its capital stock shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, to the provisions, restrictions and conditions, and invested with the rights, privileges and immunities mentioned and contained in an act, entitled "An Act regulating banks," approved the sixteenth day of April, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and the several supplements thereto: *Provided*, That the said bank shall pay into the state treasury a bonus of