

Quinn ACTS *Kennedy, Green*
OF THE

THIRTY-SECOND
GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
OF THE
STATE OF NEW-JERSEY,

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON, ON THE TWENTY-SEVENTH
DAY OF OCTOBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
SEVEN, AND CONTINUED BY ADJOURNMENTS.

BEING THE FIRST SITTING.



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CHAP. XI.

An additional supplement to the act entitled An act to empower the governor of this state to incorporate a company to build a toll bridge over Rancocus creek.

BE IT ENACTED *by the council and general assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That it shall and may be lawful for the president and managers of the Rancocus toll-bridge company to cause an additional row of piles to be sunk near to the middle of the large bent of forty-five feet on the southerly side of the stream for the purpose of giving strength to the said bridge. *Provided,* That the bent now constructed on the northerly side of the stream shall be maintained of its present width for the passage of rafts.

A. Passed at Trenton, Nov. 11, 1807.

CHAP. XII.

AN ACT to incorporate an aqueduct company in the village of Somerville in the county of Somerset.

SEC. 1. **BE IT ENACTED** *by the council and general assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That Jonathan Ford Morris, Andrew Howell and Daniel La Tourette, and their associates, for the purpose of supplying the village of Somerville with pure and wholesome water; their successors and assigns shall be a body politic and corporate, in deed, law, fact and name, by the name, style and title of the "Somerville Aqueduct Company," and by the said name shall have perpetual succession and en-

joy all the privileges and franchises incident to a corporation, and shall be capable of holding their capital stock and the increase and profits thereof **Powers & privileges.** from time to time, and in such manner and form as they shall think proper; and of disposing of and using the water which they may purchase or procure, by the mode herein after mentioned for ascertaining the value of such property, privileges and damages, from the owner or owners of the soil whereon the springs may be found; and also of purchasing, taking and holding to them their successors and assigns, in fee simple, all such lands, tenements, hereditaments and estate, real and personal, as shall be necessary and convenient to them in the prosecution of their works, and the same to sell and dispose of at their pleasure; and also that the said proprietors, their successors and assigns, be and shall be able in law and capable to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended in all courts of judicature whatsoever, and of doing all and every other matter, act or thing, which a corporation or body politic may lawfully do: *provided*, that the real estate and capital stock so to be holden shall be such only as may be requisite to promote and attain the objects of this corporation, and may be relative thereto; which objects are hereby declared to be the bringing into and supplying the village of Somerville with pure and wholesome water: and *provided also*, that the said company commence their operations within three years, and carry them into useful operations within seven years from the passing of this act.

Proviso.

Lands may be entered on.

2. *And be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to lay and extend the said aqueduct to such places, and through any lands that may be by them, their managers or officers thought necessary, first giving notice of their intention to the owner or owners in writing, and making satisfaction for any damages that may be

sustained by the owner or owners of such ground, according to a reasonable agreement between the parties; but in case of disagreement between the parties as to the value or sum to be paid for such damages, then and in such case it shall be the duty of the said parties, each to choose a reputable freeholder, and they two a third, whose judgment, or the judgment of any two of them, made in writing as to the amount to be paid to the owner or owners by the said company, shall be conclusive: and in case such owner or owners shall neglect or refuse to choose a person as aforesaid, then it shall be lawful, on the application of the said company, or their officers, for any justice of the peace of the county of Somerset, to issue his venire to any constable of the county, who shall summon twelve good and lawful men of the county, not being members of this corporation, who, upon examining the facts and premises, shall render such verdict as to them shall appear just and right, which verdict shall be conclusive between the parties.

3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for such corporation to lay and extend the said aqueduct through such of the highways or streets of the village of Somerville as they may think necessary, and for that purpose to take up and remove so much of the earth in the said streets or highways as may be convenient and necessary for the purposes aforesaid. *Provided nevertheless*, That not more than four rods in the said highways or streets shall be dug up at one time, nor kept up more than six days: and *provided also*, that the said earth shall be replaced at the expence of the said company in as good condition as if the same had not been removed.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the said company shall meet together as soon as may be in the village of Somerville, of which three weeks notice shall be given by some one of the company by advertisements put up in three of the most public

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places in said village, appointing the time and place of the meeting, at which meeting the members present shall choose by plurality of votes, a president, two managers, a treasurer and secretary, who shall conduct the affairs of the said company for one year, and until others shall be chosen in their stead, at which meeting and at every subsequent meeting each proprietor shall have one vote for each share held in his or her name in the stock of the company. And the said corporation at their meeting, shall make such bye laws, rules and regulations, as shall be necessary for the well ordering the affairs of the company. *Provided always,* That the same be not repugnant to the laws of this state. And further, that the said corporation, and their successors, may make and forever thereafter have and use a common seal with such device and devices as they shall think proper for sealing all and singular their deeds, contracts and other writings touching and concerning the said corporation, and may as often as they shall think fit, alter and change the same.

Election of officers.

Votes.

Bye laws.

Seal.

A. Passed at Trenton, Nov. 18, 1807.

CHAP. XIII.

AN ACT to alter the time of holding the February term of the courts of common pleas and quarter sessions of the peace in the county of Cumberland.

BE IT ENACTED, by the council and general assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the courts of common pleas and general quarter sessions of the peace in and for the county of Cumberland, shall be held annually on the third