

or hazard, with cards, dice, billiard balls, shuffle boards, or any other instrument, article or thing whatsoever, heretofore or which hereafter may be invented, used and employed, at which money or other valuable thing may or shall be played for, or staked or betted upon; or if any person shall procure, permit, suffer and allow persons to collect and assemble in his house, room, out-house, booth, tent, arbor or other place whatsoever, under his control, for the purpose of playing at, and staking or betting upon such game or device of address, or hazard, money or other valuable thing; or if any person being the owner, tenant, lessee or occupant of any house, room, outhouse, tent, booth, arbor or other place whatsoever, shall lease, hire or rent the same, or any part thereof, to be used and occupied, or employed for the purpose of playing at, or staking and betting upon such game or device of address, or hazard, for money or other valuable thing, the person so offending in either of the enumerated cases, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, and undergo an imprisonment not exceeding one year. The owner of such house, room, out-house, tent, booth, arbor or other place whatsoever, who shall have knowledge that any such game or device of address, or hazard, as aforesaid, has been set up in or upon the said premises, and shall not forthwith cause complaint to be made against the person who has set up or established the same, shall be deemed and held to have knowingly leased, hired or rented the said premises for the said [unlawful] purposes: Provided, That this act shall not be construed to apply to games of recreation and exercise, such as billiards, bagatelle, ten pins, et cetera, where no betting is allowed.

Misdemeanor.
Penalty.

Proviso.

APPROVED—The 26th day of March, A. D. 1923.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 24.

AN ACT

To amend clause two of section three hundred and eighty-six of an act, approved the fourteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred and forty), entitled "An act concerning townships; and revising amending and consolidating the law relating thereto," by extending the power to tax property for lighting purposes in second class townships.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That clause two of section three hundred and eighty-six of an act, approved the fourteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hun-

Townships of the
second class.

Clause 2, section 386, act of July 14, 1917 (P. L. 840), amended.

Petition for lighting.

Tax to be levied on all property.

Farm land excepted.

Duty of township treasurer.

dred and forty), entitled "An act concerning townships; and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating thereto," is hereby amended to read as follows:—

II. On the petition of the owners of a majority of the lineal feet frontage along any highway or portion thereof in any village within the township, to enter into contract with electric, gas, or other lighting companies to light and illuminate the streets, highways, and other public places in said villages with electric light, gas light, or other illuminant.

The township supervisors shall levy, for the maintenance of said lights, an annual tax upon *all* the property, *including factories and places of business*, abutting upon the said highways and other public places in the district benefited thereby, based upon the assessment for county purposes. Such tax shall be collected in the same manner as other taxes. The collector of taxes shall receive the same commission as on the road tax. No such tax shall be levied against any farm land. [nor against any property the residence upon which shall be more than five hundred feet from such highway.] The township treasurer shall receive all such taxes collected for lighting the highways, shall keep the same in a separate account, and pay out the same only upon orders signed by the chairman of the township supervisors, attested by the secretary. The treasurer shall make a report to the auditors of the township annually.

APPROVED—The 27th day of March, A. D. 1923.

GIFFORD PINCHOT.

No. 25.

AN ACT

Concerning alcoholic liquors; prohibiting the manufacture, advertising, furnishing, traffic in, and possession of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes, and articles and substances designed or intended for use in the manufacture thereof; defining intoxicating liquor; providing for penalties, forfeitures, and the abatement of nuisances; and repealing existing alcoholic liquor laws and alcoholic liquor license laws.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That this entire act is an exercise of the power granted by Amendment XVIII of the Constitution of the United States, and of the police power of this Commonwealth for the protection of the public welfare, health, peace, safety and morals of the people of this Commonwealth—and all of its provisions shall be liberally construed for the accomplishment of these purposes.