

law or laws as are hereby altered or supplied,  
be and the same are hereby repealed.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*  
*of the House of Representatives.*

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*  
*of the Senate.*

APPROVED—the third day of April, in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-  
dred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*  
*of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.*

## CHAPTER CXV.

*An ACT for the Election of Constables in the  
Township of Pittsburgh.*

**W**HEREAS the citizens of Pittsburgh town-  
ship have represented to the legislature,  
that they labor under great inconveniences for  
the want of constables in said township, there  
being none elected or appointed for two years  
past, in consequence of doubts having arisen as  
to the legality of holding elections for constables,  
there being no officer to hold such elec-  
tion, or to make return thereof: Therefore,

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 electors of Pittsburgh township, consisting of the borough of Pittsburgh, shall annually on the fourth Monday of May, at the same place that they meet to choose borough officers, elect four reputable citizens in said township. It shall be the duty of the constable of the borough to hold the election, and return the names of the persons so elected to the next court of quarter sessions for the county of Allegheny; and the said court shall appoint two of them to be constables for the said township, and on the neglect or refusal of such person or persons elected in manner aforesaid, the court shall then proceed as directed by the seventeenth section of an act, entitled "An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, before a justice of the peace, and for the election of constables, and for other purposes."

Time and place of choosing constables in Pittsburgh township.

Penalty on persons elected refusing or neglecting to serve.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That previously to the election for constables as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the constable or constables of said township, to give notice of the same, by three or more written or printed advertisements, put up at the market-house in the said borough, at least three days previously to said election; and if the said constable or constables, shall refuse or neglect to give such notice, he or they shall forfeit and pay ten dollars for such offence, to be recovered as sums of equal amount are or may be by law recoverable; such fines  
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Previous notice to be given of such election.

Penalty on failure to give notice.

to be applied to the use of the poor of the said township.

SIMON SNYDER, *Speaker*  
of the *House of Representatives.*

ROBERT WHITEHILL, *Speaker*  
of the *Senate.*

APPROVED—the third day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

THOMAS M'KEAN, *Governor*  
of the *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.*

CHAPTER CXVI.

*An ACT to dissolve the Marriage Contract between Thomas Dewees and Mary his Wife.*

WHEREAS Mary Dewees, late Mary Kid, of the county of Montgomery, by her petition, hath represented to the legislature, that she was lawfully married to Thomas Dewees, in the month of June Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and one; that within a few months after their marriage, he was convicted of forgery, in the court of oyer and terminer, in Berks county, and was sentenced to hard labour and imprisonment for a term of years; that after eighteen months imprisonment he was, at the solicitation of her friends, pardoned by the Governor; that after remaining with her about two weeks after his liberation, he abandoned and left her in a destitute situation; and it appears by a copy of a record of the court of quarter sessions of the peace, and general