

No. 14.

AN ACT

Supplementary to "An Act relating to counties and townships, and county and township officers."

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 so much of the eighty-first section of the act of assembly of the fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act relating to counties and townships, and county and township officers," as requires the election of three supervisors, be and the same is hereby repealed so far as relates to the township of Canaan, in the county of Wayne; and the electors of said township shall annually hereafter, at the time of holding their township elections, elect two persons as supervisors of highways, and two persons as overseers of the poor of said township, who shall serve for one year, and until their successors are duly elected and qualified; and the said supervisors shall be subject to all the duties and responsibilities of supervisors of highways, and the said overseers of the poor shall be subject to all the duties and responsibilities of overseers of the poor, provided for by the act to which this is a supplement.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirty-first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 15.

AN ACT

To authorize the Washington insurance company of Philadelphia, to wind up and close the affairs of said 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 as soon as four-fifths of the number of persons holding stock, either in their own right or in a representative capacity, in the Washington insurance company of Philadelphia, and holding together more than four-fifths of the whole number of shares of the capital stock, shall give

their assent thereto in writing, it shall be lawful for the directors of the said company to proceed, with all convenient speed, to the business to liquidate, settle and wind up all the concerns of the said company, and to convert the assets into money.

Notice, how
given.

Proviso.

Debts.

SECTION 2. As soon as the assent aforesaid shall be given, it shall be the duty of the said directors to give public notice of that fact by advertisement, for two weeks, in two daily newspapers in the city of Philadelphia; and it shall be lawful for the said directors, at any time after one month from the first day of such advertisement, to divide the assets of the said company, rateably among the stockholders in proportion to their several amounts of stock, by such dividends and at such periods as to them may seem best: *Provided however*, That all the ascertained debts of the company shall be paid before any such dividend of the capital shall be made; and that a fund fully sufficient shall be retained to meet all disputed claims, and all outstanding risks insured by the company, which fund shall not be less than fifty per cent., beyond the aggregate amount of such claims and risks; and that any director consenting to any dividend of the capital stock, which shall reduce the reserved fund below this amount, shall be personally liable to any party that may sustain injury thereby.

Final dividend.

SECTION 3. The assent in writing shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds for the city and county of Philadelphia; and a certified copy from that record shall be as good evidence as the original paper. The direction shall be kept up according to the charter, until a final dividend shall be made.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The thirty-first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 16.

AN ACT

To change the names of certain volunteer companies herein named.

Monongahela
Sharpshooters
changed.

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 from and after the passage of this act, the Monongahela Sharpshooters, a volunteer rifle company in the county of Allegheny, be hereby changed into an infantry company under the title of Monongahela Blues; and in that character shall be entitled to draw, through the proper brigade inspector, the proper number of muskets and accoutrements to which an infantry company may be entitled under existing laws, and in all