

assessment, of one thousand eight hundred and forty-two, and that the whole amount to be assessed, levied and collected upon such real estate, shall not exceed in the whole, the sum of three thousand dollars, in any event : And in order to facilitate the collection of taxes already assessed and unpaid, and taxes which may be assessed by virtue of this act, the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall appoint one or more collectors of said taxes, who shall have all the powers which collectors now have by law, in collecting county rates and levies ; and all suits necessary to be brought by said commissioners, to enforce the payment of debts or liens of any description, may be in the name of the late borough of West Philadelphia : And the proceedings of the court of quarter sessions of the county of Philadelphia, incorporating the said late borough of West Philadelphia, and all proceedings under said defective charter, are hereby declared to be legal and valid to all intents and purposes, so far as may be necessary to carry into full effect the intention and provisions of this act, and so far as said proceedings relates to officers of said late borough of West Philadelphia.

Amount limited.

Collectors.

Certain proceedings declared legal.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 29.

A N A C T

To confer on Catharine Pike the rights and benefits of a child born in lawful wedlock.

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 Catharine, now the wife of James Pike, and daughter of George Miller, of Northmoreland township, Wyoming county, shall have and enjoy all the rights and benefits of a child born in lawful wedlock ; and shall be able and capable in law to inherit and transmit all the estate, real, personal and mixed, of her said father, as fully and completely as if she had been born in lawful wedlock.*

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The seventeenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.