

hereby authorized to make a good and sufficient title, clear of all incumbrance, to the purchaser, and required to pay over the proceeds of the sale, after retaining his just and reasonable costs and charges out of the same, to the contributors to the erection and repair of the present school house on said lot, in proportion to the amount of their respective claims, and the balance, if any remaining, after paying the same in full, to the school directors of the townships of Upper and Lower Swatara, in equal portions, for the benefit of the schools in said townships.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 106.

AN ACT

Changing the mode and manner of appointing collectors of taxes in the county of Lehigh.

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 it shall and may be lawful for the commissioners of the county of Lehigh, on or before the day of appeals of the present year, and in each and every year thereafter, to appoint as collectors of state and county taxes in the several wards, townships and districts in said county, any reputable citizen thereof, who may consent or agree to make such collections and perform all the other duties appertaining to the office of collector, at any rate per centum not exceeding the rate of five per centum on the aggregate amount of the taxes so by him collected in the ward, township or district in which he is a resident; and the said county commissioners, on the final settlement of the duplicate of every such collector, shall allow him in such settlement, as full compensation for his services, only the rate per centum for which he had consented or agreed to make such collections; and the difference between the rate per centum so allowed to such collector, and the rate of five per centum aforesaid, if any, shall be immediately paid by the said commissioners to the directors or overseers of the poor of such ward, township or district, to be by them applied towards the maintenance of the poor of such ward, township or district: *Provided,* That before making any such contract for collecting as aforesaid, the said county commissioners shall give at least three weeks public notice in at least one newspaper published in said county, or by printed or written handbills, to be put up in not less than three public places in each of said wards, township

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or district, that they will receive proposals until ten o'clock of a certain day therein named, for the collection of the state and county taxes as aforesaid, which proposals shall be endorsed "proposals for the collection of state and county taxes," in the proper ward, township or district, and shall be directed to the county commissioners; and at the said hour of ten o'clock on the day named in said public notice, the said commissioners shall proceed publicly to open and publish all the proposals so received; and the person being of good repute, who shall propose or agree to make such collections at the lowest rate per centum, and not exceeding five per centum as aforesaid, if the sureties named in said proposals or afterwards supplied by him, be satisfactory to said commissioners, shall be appointed collector for the ward, township or district for which he has proposed as aforesaid, for the next year ensuing; and if the person so appointed shall not within five days thereafter, enter into bonds with satisfactory sureties for the faithful performance of his duties as collector, it shall be the duty of said commissioners forthwith to appoint the next lowest bidder not exceeding five per centum as aforesaid, who shall enter into proper bond with satisfactory sureties as aforesaid.

SECTION 2. The said collectors so appointed, shall in all respects be liable for the faithful performance of their duties as other collectors are now by law liable; and all acts or parts of acts relating to the appointment of collectors, shall be and the same are hereby repealed, so far as the same relates to the county of Lehigh.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 107.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Fayette county mutual fire insurance 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* Isaac Beeson, John Dawson, Alfred M'Clelland, Andrew Byers, William B. Roberts, James F. Cannon, Ewing Brownfield, John Huston, Robert P. Flenniken, Daniel Kaine, James Piper, Samuel Y. Campbell and Everhart Beirer, and such other persons as are, or may be associated with them, under the authority of this act, being citizens of the state of Pennsylvania, their successors or assigns, are hereby