

John Mann.

SECTION 3. That from and after the passage of this act, John Mann, of the county of Bucks, shall have and enjoy all the rights, benefits and advantages of a child born in lawful wedlock; and shall be able and capable in law to inherit and transmit any estate whatsoever, as fully and completely, to all intents and purposes, as if he had been born in lawful wedlock.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM BIGLER,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

DAVID R. PORTER.

No. 284.

AN ACT

To incorporate the borough of Prompton, in the county of Wayne.

Boundaries.

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 territory lying in the township of Texas, in the county of Wayne, included within the following boundaries, viz: Beginning at the north-west corner of Texas township, a corner of Canaan and Dyberry townships; thence along the line of Dyberry and Texas, north eighty degrees east three hundred and twenty perches; thence south two degrees east one hundred and sixty perches; thence south eighty degrees west three hundred and twenty perches to the east line of Canaan township; thence along said line north two degrees east one hundred and sixty perches, to the place of beginning, are hereby erected into a borough, to be called the borough of Prompton.

Election.

Officers.

SECTION 2. The inhabitants of said borough, qualified to vote for members of the general assembly, shall, on the second Friday of June next, and on the third Friday of February in every year thereafter, meet at the school house in said borough, and then and there, between the hours of one o'clock and seven o'clock in the afternoon, elect by ballot one citizen, who shall be styled the burgess of said borough, and five other citizens to be members of the town council; and at the first election three school directors, one to serve for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one school director annually, and one person to be constable of said borough, whose names shall be returned to the next court of quarter sessions in like manner as persons elected township constables; the said inhabitants shall also, at the same time and place, elect one justice of the peace, judge and inspectors of elections, and assessors, agreeably to the laws of this commonwealth; the said elections shall be conducted in the same manner

as is provided for the election of township officers of this commonwealth, except that the certificates of the election of burgess and town council, and school directors, shall be filed among the records of the corporation: *Provided*, That the first election to be held under this act shall be held by a judge and inspector to be chosen by the inhabitants present, at the opening of the election by the constable of the township of Texas, who is hereby required to attend at the said school house, on the second Friday of June next, at one o'clock, for that purpose, and to give at least ten days previous notice of said election. Proviso.

SECTION 3. From and after the said second Friday of June next, the burgess and town council duly elected, and their successors, shall be one body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of the burgess and town council of the borough of Prompton, and shall have, possess and enjoy all the rights, liberties, franchises and privileges of a borough, incorporated in pursuance of the act passed the first April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation of boroughs;" and the several provisions of said act, so far as the same are not inconsistent with this act, shall extend to and be in force within said borough, as fully as if the said borough had been incorporated agreeably to the provisions thereof. Liberties and franchises.

SECTION 4. The burgess and town council of said borough shall have the care of the poor of said borough; and all the powers and duties of overseers of the poor shall be exercised and performed in such manner and by such persons as they may ordain. Poor.

SECTION 5. The justices of the peace now residing in said borough shall continue to hold their commissions as if this act had not been passed, and the first election of justices under this act shall be held on the second Friday of June next. Justices of the peace.

SECTION 6. The constable of said borough shall perform the duties of high constable therein, until otherwise provided; the burgess and town council may authorize the election or appointment of a high constable if they deem it expedient. Constable.

SECTION 7. The school directors elected under this act shall perform the same duties and have the like powers in all respects as school directors elected agreeably to the general laws of this commonwealth. School directors.

SECTION 8. The said borough shall be a separate election district, and the electors thereof shall hold their borough and general elections at the school house in said borough. Election district.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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