

conflicting therewith, be and the same is hereby repealed, so far as relates to the said county.

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. 287.

A N A C T

To incorporate the borough of Woodcock, in the county of Crawford.

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 Woodcock, in the county of Crawford, included within the following boundaries, viz: Bounded on the north by the south line of Venango township, on the east by land of David Humes, William Griffith, Elias Wicoff and Daniel Shaffer, on the south by land of Henry Rust to the Waterford and Susquehanna turnpike; thence from the south-east corner of land of Jacob Rust, westerly by land of Henry Rust to the east line of land of John M. Humes; and thence northerly by land of John M. Humes and Thomas M. Humes, to the south line of Venango township, containing six hundred and forty acres, is hereby erected into a borough, to be called the borough of Woodcock. Boundaries.

SECTION 2. The inhabitants of said borough, qualified to vote for members of the general assembly, shall, on the fourth Friday of May next, and on the third Friday of March 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 four 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, for the like persons as in elections of township constables; the said inhabitants shall also, at the same time and place, elect one justice of the peace, judges 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 cor- Annual election.

Proviso.

poration: *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 Woodcock, who is hereby required to attend at the said school house, on the fourth Friday of May next, at one o'clock, for that purpose, and to give at least ten days previous notice of said election.

Name.

Liberties and franchises.

SECTION 3. From and after the said fourth Friday of May 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 Woodcock; 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.

Poor.

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.

Justices of the peace.

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 third Friday of March next.

Constable.

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.

School directors.

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.

Election district.

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.

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