

No. 22.

AN ACT

To settle the claims of certain persons to a lot of ground in Philadelphia.

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

Mary Hamilton
& Henry Beckett
to receive \$5000
dollars, to be paid out of the damage fund, as a full compensation for a lot in Philadelphia.

Proviso.

To give bond of
indemnity.

Mary Hamilton and Henry Beckett, be and they are hereby entitled to receive of, and from the said commonwealth, the sum of five thousand dollars, to be paid out of the damage fund, as a full compensation for the use of, and title to a certain lot of ground, on which the collector's office, in Philadelphia, has been erected, and for which sum an award was heretofore made in the name of Samuel Webb: *Provided*, That before the said five thousand dollars are paid, the said Mary Hamilton and Henry Beckett shall execute, or cause to be executed to the commonwealth, and deliver to the canal commissioners, a deed conveying a clear title, in fee simple, to the said lot of ground forty-five feet front, on Pennsylvania avenue, the Columbia railroad, by ninety-six feet in depth, to be approved of by the Attorney General; and shall further execute to the commonwealth, a bond with two or more sufficient sureties, to be approved by the canal commissioners, in the sum of five thousand dollars, upon condition, that the obligors therein, will indemnify the commonwealth against any claim made, or that may be made by Samuel Webb, or any other person, on account of the past or future occupancy as aforesaid, of said lot, or of the title thereof.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL L. SHERWOOD,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The third day of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 23.

AN ACT

To divide Cedar ward, in the city of Philadelphia, into three wards.

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 ward known as Cedar ward,

in the city of Philadelphia, shall be divided into three wards, to be Divided into bounded as follows :—From the west side of Delaware Seventh street, three wards. to the east side of Delaware Twelfth street, and from the south side of Spruce street, to the north side of Cedar street, shall be called Spruce Spruce ward. ward ; from the west side of Delaware Twelfth street, to the east side of Schuylkill Seventh street, and from the south side of Spruce street, to the north side of Cedar street, shall be called Lombard ward ; from Lombard ward. the west side of Schuylkill Seventh street, to the river Schuylkill, and from the south side of Spruce street, to the north side of Cedar street, shall be called Cedar ward ; and the qualified electors residing within Cedar ward. the above described limits, shall, at all general and special elections, vote at windows in the State House or county court house, in the city of Philadelphia, to be provided and designated by the county commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, according to existing laws ; each window to be designated by the name of one of the wards aforesaid.

SECTION 2. On the third Friday in March next, and on the third Friday in March in every year thereafter, the qualified citizens in the above named wards, shall meet at the places hereinafter designated, and then and there, between the hours now fixed by law for the holding of ward elections, and in the manner prescribed by law, choose one assessor ; and when the other wards in the city of Philadelphia shall be required, by existing laws, so to do, two assistant assessors, one constable, one judge and two inspectors of the general election for each ward. Elect assessors.

SECTION 3. On the third Friday in March next, and whenever required by existing laws thereafter, the qualified citizens of Spruce and Cedar wards shall, at the time and place of electing assessor and other ward officers, elect for each of said wards, one of the duly qualified citizens thereof, to serve as alderman. Elect alderman.

SECTION 4. The present alderman of Cedar ward, shall act as alderman of Lombard ward, until the expiration of his commission, and on the third Friday in March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, and whenever thereafter required by existing laws, the qualified citizens of Lombard ward shall, at the place of electing assessor and other ward officers, elect one of the duly qualified citizens thereof, to serve as alderman of said ward. Alderman.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of conducting the first ward elections, held under the provisions of this act, the judges and inspectors chosen at the last spring election in Cedar ward, or their successors, appointed according to law, shall select and appoint as follows :—The judge, one qualified citizen of Spruce ward, and one qualified citizen of Cedar ward, for judges of said wards respectively ; and each of the inspectors, one qualified citizen for inspector for Spruce ward and Cedar ward respectively, to conduct the election therein, and shall themselves conduct said election in Lombard ward. First election how conducted.

SECTION 6. No inspector in any of said wards shall receive a ticket from any person who shall not be an elector residing within the limits of the proper ward, and the additional inspectors to be appointed under the provisions of this act, shall have the power to appoint duly qualified clerks, and the said additional inspectors and judges shall, within their respective wards, take the same oaths or affirmations, and perform the same duties as are now by law required of inspectors and judges of an election ; and in case of a vacancy in the place of such additional inspector or judge, the same shall be filled by another appointment on the part of the inspector or judge who made the original appointment. Election of officers to be qualified.

SECTION 7. The assessors, assistant assessors, constables, and other officers elected or appointed by and under the authority of this act, shall Powers of ward officers.

have the same powers and authority, and receive the same compensation as similar officers in other wards in the city do now by law receive.

Places for holding
ward elections.

SECTION 8. Until otherwise ordered in accordance with existing laws, the ward elections for Spruce ward shall be held at the house of the Robert Morris hose company, in Lombard street, between Delaware Eighth and Ninth streets; the ward elections for Lombard ward, shall be held at the house now occupied by F. C. Goll, at the south-west corner of Pine and Twelfth streets; and the ward elections for Cedar ward, shall be held at the house now occupied by Henry Hollingsworth, at the north-west corner of Cedar and Schuylkill Fourth streets.

Commissioners to
furnish boxes, &c

SECTION 9. It shall be the duty of the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, to furnish to the inspectors and judges chosen under the provisions of this act, the same ballot boxes, blank forms, lists of taxables, and matters which are now by law furnished to judges and inspectors of elections within the said city.

Commissioners to
divide duplicate.

SECTION 10. It shall be the duty of the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, to divide the duplicate of state and county taxes in Cedar ward, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, into three distinct and separate duplicates, as follows: One duplicate to include the property herein designated in Spruce ward; one duplicate to include the property herein designated in Lombard ward, and one duplicate to include the property herein designated in Cedar ward.

Collectors to be
returned.

SECTION 11. The present assessor of Cedar ward shall return the collector of state and county taxes, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, in accordance with existing laws, for the ward in which he resides, namely, Lombard ward.

Collectors to be
returned.

SECTION 12. The assessors elected on the third Friday of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, in Spruce and Cedar wards, shall return the collector of state and county taxes for that year, in accordance with existing laws for their respective wards.

Repeal.
Proviso.

SECTION 13. All laws and parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed and taken to alter, or in any manner interfere with the limits of the congressional districts, as established by the act of the twenty-fifth of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three.

FINDLEY PATTERSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DANIEL L. SHERWOOD,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The fourth day of February, Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and forty-six.

FRS. R. SHUNK.