

SECTION 8. That the citizens of Mercer county shall, at their next annual election, decide by ballot, in favor of or against the erection of a poor house in said county. Citizens of Mercer county to decide by ballot for or against the erection of a poor house.

JAMES COOPER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WM. WILLIAMSON,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven.

FRS. R. SHUNK.

No. 367.

AN ACT

Relating to the auditors of Philadelphia county ; also, to Delaware Sixth street, in said county ; also, to the sinking fund of the said county ; also, to the disposal of certain real estate by the commissioners of said county ; also, to the vacation of a certain alley in Philadelphia city, to the erection of new county buildings, to the borough of Manayunk, and to the opening of Amber street.

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 first day of July next, the auditors of the county of Philadelphia shall receive the same compensation, and be paid in like manner as the commissioners of the county ; and the same shall be in full compensation for all services rendered by them in the performance of their duties now imposed by law ; and it shall not be lawful hereafter for the said auditors, or any of them, to demand or receive from the guardians of the poor, the board of health, the controllers of the public schools, the inspectors of the county prison, or any other body or individual, any fee, commission, compensation or reward whatever, for any service or duty which may be performed by them in their official capacity ; and any violation or evasion of the provisions of this act, shall be deemed and taken as a misdemeanor in office, and shall be punished as like offences are now by law punished. Compensation of auditors of Philadelphia county fixed.

SECTION 2. That Delaware Sixth street, in the county of Philadelphia, shall be continued from Susquehanna avenue, in a straight line southwardly, until it intersects the Germantown road. To continue Delaware sixth street, Philadelphia.

SECTION 3. That the jury that hereafter may be appointed by the court of quarter sessions of Philadelphia, to assess the damages, if any, that may be sustained by the owners of property by the opening of Sixth street, from Susquehanna avenue northward, shall also assess the damages, if any, that may be sustained by the owner or owners of property from Susquehanna avenue southwardly, to its intersection with the Germantown road, as aforesaid, in the same manner as if the said Sixth street had been originally laid out by law, from the said Germantown road northward. Assessment of damages sustained by the opening of said street.

Certificates of
county loan of
Philadelphia, ex-
empt from taxa-
tion.

SECTION 4. That hereafter the certificates of county loan, together with the interest which may accrue thereon, held by the commissioners of the sinking fund of Philadelphia county, for the purpose of gradually and ultimately extinguishing the debt of said county, be and the same is hereby exempted from taxation.

Commissioners of
Philadelphia
county to sell
certain real estate

SECTION 5. That the county commissioners of the county of Philadelphia be and they are hereby authorized to advertise and sell, either at public sale or out-cry, or by private sale, to the highest and best bidder, all that tavern house, stables and two lots or pieces of ground, situate in and near Bridesburg, in the county of Philadelphia; one of the said lots situate, lying and being on the Frankford creek, in the township of the Northern Liberties, beginning at the low water of Frankford creek, at the distance of two feet from the easterly side of the said bridge; thence by lot three of a division made between the heirs of Joseph Kirkbride, deceased, south fifteen degrees, east four perches and forty-eight hundredths of a perch, to a stone; thence crossing Bridge street, south seventy-five degrees west forty-five feet; thence by the said Bridge street south eighteen degrees east fourteen perches and nine six hundredths of a perch, to a stone; thence along a street or road, south thirty-nine degrees west seventeen perches and sixty-four hundredths, more or less, to the middle of a thirty-three feet wide street or road; thence north fifteen (51) and fifty-one (one) minutes west along the line dividing this lot from that sold to Egbert Sommerdike, twenty-nine perches and eleven hundredths, to a stake placed at high water mark on the bank of the aforesaid creek; thence south six degrees west four perches, to low water mark of the said creek; thence down the same, the several courses thereof, to the place of beginning, containing about two acres and one-half of land, be the same more or less; and also all that certain strip or triangular piece of land, situate in Oxford township, in the county of Philadelphia, on the westerly side of a road leading from the Frankford and Bristol turnpike road to the bridge over Frankford creek, (commonly called Kirkbride's bridge,) containing in breadth, on the bank, at the distance of about thirty-seven feet from low water mark of the said creek, four feet three inches, and extending in length or depth northwardly, measured from low water mark of the said creek, two hundred and forty-nine feet, to a point on the said road, together with all and singular the respective appurtenances, and to convey the same, in fee simple, or otherwise, to the purchaser or purchasers thereof; the net proceeds of the said sale to be paid by the said county commissioners into the public treasury of the county of Philadelphia.

Commissioners
may lay out said
premises into lots
and sell them.

SECTION 6. That the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia shall be authorized and empowered, and are hereby authorized and empowered, if they shall deem it more advantageous to the county of Philadelphia, instead of selling the said two lots together or separately, as above described, to lay out the whole in lots of such sizes and dimensions as in their opinion will best suit purchasers, and to sell and convey the same to the respective purchasers thereof, saving and reserving, nevertheless, all the bridge over the Frankford creek, formerly called Kirkbride's bridge, together with all and singular the land upon which the same is erected.

An alley in Phila-
delphia city va-
cated.

SECTION 7. That from and after the passage of this act, a certain eight feet wide alley, extending from Locust street southward one hundred and thirty feet to Latimer street, between Schuylkill Sixth and Seventh streets, in the city of Philadelphia, (which said alley is mentioned in a certain deed of partition, dated March second, eighteen hundred and ten, made between Samuel Boggs and others, and recorded

in the office for recording deeds in the city of Philadelphia, in deed book JC, number six, page two hundred and eighty-five, et cetera,) shall be and the same is hereby vacated.

SECTION 8. That the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, by and with the consent of the select and common councils of the city of Philadelphia, are hereby authorized to erect a new court house for the accommodation of the courts and county officers, on part of the state house square in the said city; and the said select and common councils are hereby authorized to cause a new city hall to be erected on any other part of the said square; the location and erection of said buildings to be first approved by the county board of said Philadelphia county.

Commissioners with consent of councils may erect a new court house.

SECTION 9. That nothing in the act, entitled "A further supplement to an act to incorporate the borough of Manayunk, and to separate the township of Roxborough therefrom," approved March third, eighteen hundred and forty-seven, shall be construed to prevent the borough of Manayunk from bidding for and purchasing the poor house estate, and holding or conveying the same at the pleasure of said borough corporation.

Borough of Manayunk may purchase and hold poor house.

SECTION 10. The commissioners of the county of Philadelphia are hereby required to provide a suitable room for the appraisers of mercantile taxes of Philadelphia city and county, in which to transact their business.

Commissioners to provide a room for mercantile appraisers to transact business therein.

SECTION 11. That the commissioners and inhabitants of the district of Southwark, in the county of Philadelphia, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to file, in the proper office, an amended description of all or any lots of ground and premises, against which they claim sums of money due them for curbing foot ways, water pipes or taxes, as aforesaid; and said amended description shall be taken and deemed, in all respects, as if it had been filed with the original claim, and that all process issued on such claim shall take therefrom and pursue the description thus filed; and the sheriff, in cases of sales under process for the recovery of money due for liens, shall sell and convey the premises set forth in the amended description aforesaid: *Provided*, That this law shall extend only to such claims as were filed prior to the first day of November, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and forty-five.

Relative to liens in the district of Southwark.

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