

No. 127.

AN ACT

To authorize the burgess and town council of the borough of West Newton, in the county of Westmoreland, to provide a lock-up house; and relative to the high constable of Mauch Chunk.

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 burgess and town council of the borough of West Newton, in the Lock-up house. county of Westmoreland, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to have built, or otherwise provided or supported in said borough, at the expense thereof, a suitable building for the security and temporary detention of any person or persons committed by a justice of the peace of said borough, or the said burgess, of the said borough, for any violation of the laws of this commonwealth, or of the ordinance or ordinances of the borough aforesaid, for which such persons could lawfully be committed to the common jail of the county aforesaid, there to remain and be kept until such offender or offenders can be removed to the common jail of said county, if committed for an indictable offence, or until discharged according to law : *Provided,* That no person or persons shall be confined in said lock-up house at any one time, for a longer period than twenty-four hours, except such person or persons charged with an indictable offence, and it may be necessary to detain him or them for a legal examination.

SECTION 2. That the expenses of committing and keeping any person in said house or place on a charge of any indictable offence, shall Expenses, how be paid by the said county of Westmoreland, on the presentation of defrayed. proper accounts of the same, to the commissioners of said county ; and for all offences against the ordinances of said borough, the expenses thereof shall be borne by the said borough of West Newton.

SECTION 3. That the high constable of the borough of Mauch Chunk, in the county of Carbon, who is now or may hereafter be elected for High constable of Mauch Chunk said borough, shall be sworn in and qualified in court, as other constables of said county ; and shall have all and singular the powers, and be to. subject to the provisions of law relating to other constables of this commonwealth.

J. S. M'CALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The eleventh day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.