

her dog or dogs subject to taxation, shall be entitled to no compensation for damage done by a dog or dogs to his or her sheep.

Damages.

SECTION 5. All bills for damage done to sheep, in the townships aforesaid, now on file in the commissioners' office, shall be handed over to the treasurer of the sheep fund of the respective townships to which they belong, which bills shall first be paid by the said treasurer, said bills taking precedence according to the dates thereof; and all dog tax uncollected or in the hands of the collectors of said townships, shall be paid to the said township treasurers to be applied to the purposes specified in this act.

West Philadelphia, relative to an election in.

SECTION 6. That the election required by existing laws to be held in the borough of West Philadelphia, on the third Friday of March instant, for borough and township officers, be and the same is hereby postponed until the first Wednesday of May next; and the power and authority of the present officers of said borough are hereby extended and continued until superseded by the officers elected on the said first Wednesday of May next, and said officers shall hold their offices for the same period as if elected on the third Friday of March instant.

Millerstown borough, Perry county, relative to election of assessors, &c., in.

SECTION 7. That the qualified voters of the borough of Millerstown, in the county of Perry, shall be authorized to elect an assessor and two assistant assessors, in the same manner as the several townships in said county are now authorized to elect; and that the assessment made for the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty, is hereby declared legal.

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.

No 154.

AN ACT

Relative to courts and lost deeds in Carbon county.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The public buildings of the county of Carbon have been destroyed by fire, and some portions of the records of said county as well as some original sheriffs' and treasurers' deeds were destroyed, and it is right that some measures should be provided for supplying the loss of the same without unnecessary delay; therefore,

Sheriffs' and treasurers' deeds in Carbon county, relative to the destruction of.

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 on petition presented to the court of common pleas of Carbon county, verified by affidavit, setting forth the loss or destruction of any sheriffs'

or treasurers' deeds for lands in said county, by means of the recent fire or otherwise, to take such measures as the said court shall deem advisable in relation to supplying the loss of such deeds by receiving secondary evidence of their contents, giving such notice to the parties interested as the court will think best calculated to apprise them of the application; and if the said court, after having received such evidence, shall deem the same sufficient, direct the same to be recorded in the office for recording of deeds of said county, and the same or certified copies thereof shall thenceforth be as competent evidence of the execution, acknowledgment and delivery of such deeds as the originals would be if offered.

SECTION 2. That so much of the act, entitled "An Act to change the time of holding the courts of common pleas in the counties of Tioga, Warren and Carbon," approved the twenty-second of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, as relates to the county of Carbon, shall not take effect until the first day of May next; and that all writs and processes issued since the passage of the said act, shall be deemed to be returnable at April term, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, as if the said act had not been passed.

J. S. MCALMONT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 155.

AN ACT

To provide for the election of certain officers in Spruce ward, Reading.

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 qualified voters of Spruce ward, in the city of Reading, are hereby authorized to elect, at the next spring election, and at each subsequent spring election, as often as the same may become necessary, one assessor and two assistant assessors for the said ward, with the same duties, rights and privileges as are possessed by the same officers in other wards of the said city: *And it is further provided,* That the duties, rights and privileges of said officers shall commence immediately after said election, and continue to the end of the term for which they shall have been elected.

Spruce ward,
Reading, rela-
tive to elections
in.

Tax collector for
said ward, duties
of.

SECTION 2. That it shall be the duty of the commissioners of the county of Berks, to appoint a tax collector for the said ward, who shall of.