

LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

M'Dowel, Alexander Cavin and William Galbraith, be and are hereby appointed to act as school directors, to serve for the term of one year from commencing on the twentieth day of March next instant; and the citizens of said district are hereby authorized to hold their election for school directors in their public school houses, on the first Saturday in March, in eighteen hundred and fifty-one, and in each succeeding year thereafter; the president of the board of directors, assisted by two citizens, shall open and hold said election, and in case of absence of the president, the next senior member of the board; and that the election be held between three and six o'clock in the afternoon.

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

V. BEST,
Speaker of the Senate.

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

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 160.

A N A C T

To authorize Mary Swaine to sell certain real estate.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Lightfoot, late of the borough, now city of Reading, in the county of Berks, in said commonwealth, did by her last will and testament, which has been duly proved and remains filed in the register's office at Reading, in said county, amongst other things give and devise unto Mary Swaine, formerly Mary Shoemaker, one of the daughters of her deceased uncle, Charles Shoemaker, the house and lot, with the appurtenances, in which the said testatrix then resided, it being lot number two hundred and ninety-six, in the said borough, now city of Reading, containing sixty feet north and south, and two hundred and thirty feet east and west, and bounded on the west by Fifth, formerly Callowhill street, east by Pearl alley, on the north by lot number two hundred and ninety-three, and on the south by Chestnut, formerly Hamilton street, having a two story brick house erected thereon, to have and to hold the same to the said Mary Swaine, for and during her natural life, free from all coercion and control of her husband, and not liable for his debts; and immediately after the decease of the said Mary, the said testatrix by her said will, did give and devise the said house and lot, with the appurtenances, to any child or children and grand-child or grand-children of the said Mary Swaine, which might survive the said Mary Swaine, such grand-child or grand-children, if any, to take such share as his, her or their parents would have taken. if he or she had survived his or her mother, to hold the same to said

child or children and grand-child or grand-children, his, her or their heirs and assigns forever; but if the said Mary Swaine should die without leaving any child or grand-child, then the said testatrix by her said will, did give and devise the said house and lot, with the appurtenances, to Margaret P. Smyth, formerly Margaret Shoemaker, a sister of the said Mary Swaine, for and during her natural life, and after her decease to her lawful issue, his, her or their heirs and assigns; but if the said Margaret should die without lawful issue, then the said testatrix by her said will, did give and devise the said house and lot, with the appurtenances, to her sister Ann Eliza, for and during her natural life, and immediately after her decease to her lawful issue, his, her or their heirs and assigns:

And whereas, The husband of the said Mary Swaine has been dead many years, and she has lawful issue, a son named Charles Shoemaker Swaine, who is between the age of twenty-two and twenty-three years, and who is married and has lawful issue, a son named Edward S. Swaine, of the age of nine months or thereabouts:

And whereas, The said house and lot is in such a state of dilapidation and decay, and is so unproductive and expensive that it would be greatly to the interest, benefit and advantage of the said Mary Swaine, and those entitled to said house and lot in remainder, that the same should be sold, and the money arising from said sale should be invested in real estate security, the interest thereof to be paid to the said Mary Swaine, annually, during her natural life, and the principal thereof immediately after her death, to be paid to the person or persons entitled thereto in remainder, according to the directions and provisions made and contained in said will; therefore,

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 said Mary Swaine shall have power and authority to sell said house and lot, with the appurtenances, at public sale on the premises, in one entire lot or in sub-divisions, for the best price that can be fairly and reasonably obtained for the same, and upon such terms as shall be most advantageous to herself, and the person or persons entitled to the same in remainder; and to make, execute and deliver to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, a good and valid deed or deeds for the same, in fee simple; and to invest the money arising from said sale in real estate security, in the city of Philadelphia, to be approved of by the orphans' court of the said county of Berks, the interest thereof to be paid to the said Mary Swaine, annually, for and during her natural life, and immediately after her death, the said principal to be paid to the person or persons entitled thereto in remainder, according to the directions and provisions made and contained in the said will of the said Elizabeth Lightfoot, deceased: *Provided,* That the said Mary Swaine, before she shall make such sale, shall give security to be approved of by the orphans' court of Berks county, that she will well and faithfully sell the said house and lot for the highest and best price that can fairly and reasonably be obtained for the same, and that she will with the approval of said court as aforesaid, fairly, honestly and faithfully invest the proceeds of the sale of said house and lot, in real estate security in the city of Philadelphia, upon the said trust as aforesaid: *And provided further,* That before the said Mary Swaine shall sell under this act, she shall first obtain on her petition, an order, adjudgment or decree of the orphans' court of Berks county, that the same would be to the ad-

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vantage and benefit of the said Mary Swaine, and of those entitled to the said house and lot in remainder, and approving the same.

J. S. M'CALMONT,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

V. BEST,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-fifth day of February, eighteen hundred and fifty.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 161.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Keystone mutual life and health insurance company of Harrisburg.

Corporators. 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* Luther Riley, Augustus O. Heister, John H. Berryhill, Thomas H. Wilson, Stephen Miller, John P. Rutherford, John W. Wilson and Daniel W. Gross, and all other persons who may hereafter be associated with them in the manner hereinafter provided, and their successors, shall be and they are hereby constituted and declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of the Keystone mutual life and health insurance company of Harrisburg, and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts of record or elsewhere, and to purchase, receive, have, hold and enjoy, to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises and hereditaments, goods and chattles of whatsoever kind, and choses in action, and the same sell and dispose of from time to time; and also, to make and have a common seal, and the same to alter and renew at pleasure; and also, to make, ordain, establish and put in execution, such by-laws, ordinances and regulations as shall appear necessary and convenient for the government of the corporation, and for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs, not being contrary to this charter and the laws of this commonwealth or of the United States; and generally to do and transact all such matters and things as shall to them lawfully appertain to do and transact, for the well-being of said corporation:

Style. *Provided, That* the clear yearly value of the lands and tenements of said corporation, including those held for its own use and accommodation, shall not exceed two thousand dollars: *And provided, That*

Privileges. nothing in this act shall be construed to allow said corporation to exercise banking privileges.

Proviso.