

between Tussey's mountain and Bald Eagle Ridge, on the Huntingdon county line, be, and the same are hereby, erected into a separate election district; and the freemen thereof are hereby authorized to hold their annual elections at the house now occupied by Richard Miles, in the town of Milesborough.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the freemen of Potter's township, in the county of Mifflin, living on the south side of the aforesaid line, shall, and they are hereby, authorized to hold their annual elections at the house now occupied by William King, in the township of Potter aforesaid, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

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CHAPTER MDCCCLXI.

AN ACT TO ERECT THE TOWN OF BEDFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF BEDFORD, INTO A BOROUGH.

Whereas the inhabitants of the town of Bedford, in the county of Bedford, have, by their petition, prayed to be incorporated:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) 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 town of Bedford, in the county of Bedford, shall be, and the same is hereby erected into a borough, which shall be called the borough of Bedford, and shall be comprised within the following boundaries, to wit, beginning at West street, where it enters into the west branch of the Juniata river; thence down the same, at low water mark, to East street; thence along said street to John street; thence along said street to West street; thence along said street to the place of beginning.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the freemen of the borough of

Bedford, duly qualified to elect members of the legislature of this commonwealth, shall have power, on the first Monday in **May** next, and on that day in every year hereafter, at the court house in the said borough, to elect, by ballot, two fit persons to be burgesses of the said borough, and also to elect three suitable persons assistants for advising, aiding and assisting the said burgesses in the execution of the power and authorities hereby given them, and also to elect a high constable and town clerk, all and every of which persons shall be residents in the said borough of Bedford, which election shall be taken from time to time by the high constable of the year preceding; and the names of the persons so elected shall be certified under his seal to the governor of this commonwealth, for the time being, within fifteen days next after such election; and the burgess who shall have the majority of votes shall be called the chief burgess of the said borough; but if the votes shall be equal, the governor shall determine which shall be chief burgess; and in case it shall so happen that the said freemen shall neglect or refuse to choose burgesses, and the said other officers, in manner aforesaid, that then it shall and may be lawful for the governor to nominate, appoint and commissionate burgesses, constables, town clerk and assistants, for that year, to hold and continue in their respective offices until the next time of annual election appointed as aforesaid, and so often as occasion shall require.

[Section III.] (Section III, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said burgesses and inhabitants within the said borough, and their successors forever hereafter, shall be one body corporate and politic, in deed and name, and by the name of "The Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of Bedford, in the County of Bedford" shall have a perpetual succession; and they and their successors, by the name of "The Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of Bedford" shall, at all times hereafter, be persons able and capable in law to have, get, receive and possess lands, tenements, rents, liberties, jurisdictions, franchises and hereditaments, to them and their successors, in fee simple, or for term of life, lives, years, or otherwise; and also goods and chattels, and other things, of what nature or kind whatsoever; and also to give,

grant, sell and assign the same lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods and chattels, and to do and execute all other things about the same, by the name aforesaid; and they shall forever hereafter be persons able and capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and to be defended, in all or any of the courts within this commonwealth, in all manner of actions, suits, complaints, pleas, causes and matters whatsoever; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said burgesses and inhabitants of the borough of Bedford aforesaid, and their successors, forever hereafter, to have and use one common seal, for sealing all business whatsoever touching the said corporation, and the same from time to time, at their will, to change and alter.

[Section IV.] (Section IV, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the burgess and inhabitants of the said borough, and their successors to have, hold and keep, at the place erected for that purpose within the said borough, two markets in each week, that is to say, one market on Wednesday and one market on Saturday, in every week of the year forever, and two fairs in the year, the first to begin on the first Monday in June, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and the other of the said fairs to begin on the fourth Monday of October following, and on the same days annually forever thereafter, each fair to continue two days, together with free liberties, customs, profits and emoluments to the said market and fairs belonging, or in any wise appertaining forever; and there shall be a clerk of the market within the said borough, who shall and may perform all things belonging to the office of a clerk of the market within the same, and shall be appointed and removed by the burgesses and assistants aforesaid, and another, from time to time, appointed and removed, as they shall find necessary.

[Section V.] (Section V, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the burgesses and inhabitants of the borough of Bedford, respectively, forever shall enjoy all the powers, jurisdictions, exclusions, authorities and privileges, and be subject to the same qualifications, restrictions, penalties,

finer and forfeitures within the said borough, as are enjoyed by and limited to the burgesses and inhabitants of the borough of Reading, in the county of Berks.

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CHAPTER MDCCCXII.

AN ACT TO ERECT THE TOWNSHIP OF THE NORTHERN LIBERTIES OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA INTO TWO DISTRICTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED.

Whereas the increase of population and improvement in the township of Northern Liberties of the city of Philadelphia require that the said township should be divided into two districts, for the purpose of admitting each district to choose one assessor and two inspectors:

[Section I.] (Section I, P. L.) 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 Second street, continued from the city of Philadelphia to where the same terminates in the Germantown road, thence by said road to the northern boundary of the township of the Northern Liberties, shall be the line for dividing the said township into two districts, and all that part of the said township between the river Delaware and the aforesaid division line, shall be called the eastern district, and the remaining part thereof shall be called the western district of the township of the Northern Liberties.

[Section II.] (Section II, P. L.) And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the electors residing in the township of the Northern Liberties to meet together within their respective districts, at the time and in manner and form prescribed by law, to choose one assessor and two inspectors for each district respectively, anything in any law to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

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