shall be let to the lowest and best bidder. The board Lowest bidder. shall have power to reject any and all bids, and to rejection of readvertise for bids in the manner hereinbefore provided. Before any contract is entered into, the board Contractor's shall require the contractor to give a bond to the Com- bond. monwealth, with sufficient surety and in such sum as the board shall determine, conditioned for the faithful performance of the terms of the contract. The said contract and bond shall be approved by the Attorney General.

Section 3. That section four of said act, which reads as follows :---

"Section 4. The contract or contracts shall provide Section 4, cited for for payments as the work advances: Provided, how-amendment. ever, That the total payments to the contractor or contractors at any time before the final completion and acceptance of the bridge, approaches, or pylons shall not exceed ninety per centum (90%) of the cost of the work done under any contract," is hereby amended to read as follows:-

Section 4. The contract or contracts shall provide Payments before for payments as the work advances: Provided, how-work. ever, That the total payments to the contractor or contractors at any time before the final completion and the acceptance of the work contracted for shall not exceed ninety per centum (90%) of the cost of the work done under any contract.

APPROVED—The 12th day of May, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

## No. 254.

## AN ACT

Providing for the election of one person as prothonotary, and one person as clerk of the courts of quarter sessions and over and terminer, in counties of the fourth class, and repealing general, local, and special acts inconsistent herewith.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the qualified counties of the electors of each county of the fourth class shall elect one person to fill the office of prothonotary, and one person to fill the office of clerk of the courts of quarter sessions and over and terminer. At the first municipal election occurring after the passage of this act, and Election. every four years thereafter, there shall be elected, in each of said counties where a vacancy is about to occur by the expiration of the terms of the person or persons now in office, a person as prothonotary, and a person as clerk of the courts of quarter sessions and over In all other counties of the fourth and terminer. class, there shall be elected, at the municipal election in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three

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and every four years thereafter, a person as prothonotary, and a person as clerk of the court of quarter sessions or over and terminer, to take the places of those officers whose terms are about to expire on the first Monday of January next following. All prothonotaries, and clerks of the court of quarter sessions and over and terminer, elected under the provisions of this act, shall hold their respective offices for terms of four years from the first Monday of January succeeding their election and until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified. Each prothonotary and clerk of the courts elected under the provisions of this act shall receive the salary now or hereafter provided by law for such officers in counties of the class herein provided for.

Section 2. All acts or parts of acts, general, local, and special, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

APPROVED—The 12th day of May, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

## No. 255.

## AN ACT

To amend an act, approved the fourteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred and forty), entitled "An act concerning townships; and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating thereto."

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section seven hundred and thirty-five of an act, approved the fourteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred and forty), entitled "An act concerning townships; and revising, amending, and consolidating the law relating thereto," which reads as follows:—

"Section 735. The commissioners or supervisors of townships of the first and second class shall erect posts at the intersection of all public roads, where trees are not convenient, and shall firmly fix boards thereon with index-hands pointing to the direction of such roads. (In such boards shall be inscribed in large and legible characters the name of the town, village, or place to which such roads lead, and the distance thereto comduited in miles," is hereby amended to read as follows:—

Section 735. The commissioners or supervisors of townships of the first and second class shall erect posts at the intersection of all public roads, and at one of the angles where any public road crosses another public road, and shall firmly fix thereon boards or metal signs,

Townships of first and second classes,

Section 735, act of July 14, 1917 (P. L. 840), cited for amendment.

Road intersections.

Compensation.

Repeal.

Term.

Signs.